



**WE MEAN BUSINESS**

# Spring in our step

Local businesses crack on despite the credit crunch

by Steve Nelson

**WELL, spring is finally here after the longest, coldest and toughest of winters since the 1930s.**

Talk of "green shoots" has been taboo for some time, but I do feel that confidence in the small and medium enterprises (SMEs) that make up over 95 per cent of Greenwich's businesses is growing by the day.

There is a realisation that they have survived the abyss and orders are being placed again.

From the very beginning of

the "credit crunch" there has been a stoicism among SE London companies, a determination to see this one through.

Yes, some businesses have sadly disappeared, but far fewer than may have been feared. While some companies may have downsized the important thing is that they continue trading so that they can start employing people again when this worldwide mess finally resolves itself, as it surely will do.

Greenwich businesses are very fortunate to be sited in

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**SPRINGING FORWARD:** local business people (women, left to right) Daphne Clifton, Linda Hyder and Suzanne Foe; men (left to right) Clive Barker, Sean Hetherington, Tim Keeler, Steve Maynard and Steve Nelson

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In my  
opinionChamber  
has been  
music to  
my ears

WHEN I joined what was then the Bexley and Greenwich Chamber of Commerce in 1997, the monthly network lunches were a pleasant get-together of the same friendly faces often seen in a pub. When I was asked to become the president in 2001, I thought carefully whether I wanted to be involved in what was little more than a small business club. I discussed with others a committed plan of improvement. Since then, with great support from the board and subsequent presidents, the chamber is now one of the fastest growing in London. One only has to attend one of our network lunches to feel the sheer dynamism over 100 people actively engaging in doing business together. Last year the chamber introduced regular breakfast events in each of the four boroughs it represents. These have become increasingly popular and are attended by between 40-60 businesses each time. We have had MPs from each area, resulting in very informative presentations and QA sessions. We continue to

attract a wide range of business people who fully represent the community in which we live and work - from start-ups to established businesses, both small and large. It is no accident that the chamber continues its steady progress, as it is supported by a very active board of directors, each of whom gives their time freely, representing the chamber on several important committees and boards. We have an ever increasing strategic influence in south east London and we are regularly consulted and represent business in important decision-making processes. The chamber is not only a place to do business but is also a great opportunity for exchanging ideas and best practice and to keep in touch with the latest developments. Give one of the chamber events a try by simply booking on the website [www.selondonchamber.org](http://www.selondonchamber.org). I guarantee you will be looked after by existing members and introduced to many more.

**Clive Barker**  
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London Chamber of  
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## Road closures on Marathon day

THERE will be extensive road closures for the Virgin London Marathon on Sunday, April 25. Roads on the Marathon routes will be closed from 7am to 2pm - Charlton Way, Shooters Hill Road, Charlton Road, Little Heath, Charlton Park Lane, Artillery Place, John Wilson Street, Woolwich Church Street, Woolwich Road, Trafalgar Road, Creek Road. Road closures will also be in place around the Blackheath, Woolwich and Greenwich areas from 7am. If you need to

travel, you can cross (but not travel along) these crossing points until the times specified. They are:

- Charlton Road/Victoria Way/Marlborough Lane (until 8.45am) crossing over Charlton Road (north and south)
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- Woolwich Road/ Francis Street / Leda Road (until 8.50am) crossing over Woolwich Road (north and south)
- Woolwich Road/Anchor & Hope Lane/ Charlton Church Lane (until 9am) crossing over Woolwich Road (north and south)
- Trafalgar Road/Blackwall Lane/Vanbrugh Hill (until 9.05am) crossing over Trafalgar

- Road (north and south)
- Creek Road/Norman Road/Norway Street (until 9.05am) crossing over Creek Road (north and south)
- Creek Road/Glaisher Street/Gonson Street/Creekside (until 9.05am) crossing over Creek Road (north and south).
- SEE next week's GT for more Marathon news, including the team running for the Mayor's charities - MacMillan Cancer Support, Volunteer Centre Greenwich and Greenwich Mencap.

## The X-factor

Xavier in  
the deep  
end to  
inspire  
swimmers

by Dick  
Townsend-Smith

**CHAMPION** international swimmer Xavier Mohammed was back in Woolwich last week at the pool where he earned his first merit badges to sew on his swimming trunks at just seven years of age.

Xavier, now 20, was over from the Arizona State University, where he is on a scholarship from Greenwich Starting Blocks, the charity that helps young people's sporting dreams come true by providing bursaries to help develop their talents.

Xavier is an ambassador for Starting Blocks and he visited the Waterfront Leisure Centre to meet local swimmers trustees from the charity.

The Olympic hopeful specialises in the 200m backstroke, 200m individual medley and 400m individual medley, and has been ranked second in the UK. He was back in the country to compete in the national championships in Sheffield in readiness for the Commonwealth Games.

"I didn't do as well as I had expected because I was a bit jet-lagged," he said. "But this is not an excuse, and I was disappointed. But I'm determined to make the



**SPLASH HIT:** Xavier Mohammed at the Waterfront leisure centre with some excited young fans

Commonwealth Games team again, and I'm coming back again in August for the British national trials at Sunderland. After that I hope to be able to compete in all my three events in the 2012 Olympics."

With him were his mum, Livia, who lives in Charlton, and his sister Arianna, aged seven. Both Arianna and her brother, four-year-old Aidan, are keen swimmers, and went up to the national championships, along with their dad Sean.

"I will be with him when he competes and I really hope he will go on to become one of the greats in swimming," said Livia. "Am I his biggest fan? Well, I guess I am."

Xavier trains nine times a week in the Arizona university pool, fitting it around his studies as a second-year economics student.

"I also exercise every day in the gym doing weights and running, with my new trainer Dorsey Walker, who joined me six months ago," he said.

"The best thing for me now is living in a country with hot weather and being able to swim outdoors every day. I'll eat anything so long as it's not greasy, which is not easy if you live in America. I also cook for myself, mainly pasta and meat dishes.

"I don't see myself as a celebrity at all, just a swimmer. I am fairly well-known in competitive

swimming, but nothing like double gold medallist Rebecca Adlington, who I know quite well.

"Working as an ambassador for Starting Blocks means I attend functions and meet and greet people involved in sport. The scholarship helps pay for my swimming and to study. I received £1,000 from the charity, and this paid for my flight and hotel to come back here and compete. I've done several photo-shoots, as well as take part in a 2012 promotional video."

Xavier won silver at the World Youth games in 2006 and took gold, silver and bronze at the European Junior Championships in 2008. Now for 2012!



# SEE the light!

Help and advice for firms with conviction

by Peter Cordwell

**MANY'S the company in Greenwich that can say they've been greatly helped to SEE the way forward.**

South East Enterprise (SEE), based in Burney Street, Greenwich, has been offering expert advice for businesses new and old for more than 20 years.

Thanks to local funding, SEE's support services are available free to eligible businesses - and their responses say it all.

Carole Baker, of Mint Inventories Ltd, a local property inventory company, told GT: "I always come away absolutely buzzing from our meetings! I'm so excited about it all and eager to get my teeth into the issues that were raised."

SEE recently secured European funding under the Business Growth Programme, which runs until March, 2011.

Participating businesses benefit from a flexible package of one-to-one support from the SEE team, free advice from specialist external consultants and attend regular master classes and practical workshops



geared to address specific business areas.

Alistair Smit, of iGen Solar, a Greenwich-based solar panel energy company, said: "For any new start-up company it's not always easy knowing that you are doing the right things in the right order to make a success of the business. Without my SEE advisor it would have been all too easy to drift from one task to another without being fully committed."

Jeremy Hedger, SEE's area director, said: "We have already helped many local businesses

achieve real increases in sales through diversification into new markets and by helping them become registered as approved public authority contractors - all of which creates new skilled job opportunities for local people."

Mike Gabriel, from Plumstead-based Lakedale Power Tools, said: "I cannot speak too highly of the dedication our business advisors gave in supporting our tender application."

● **CONTACT SEE on 020-8305 2222. [www.seenterprise.co.uk](http://www.seenterprise.co.uk).**

## You can still cross as tunnels are renewed

**PEDESTRIANS and cyclists can continue to cross the Thames while an £11.5 million investment programme gets underway to renew the Greenwich and Woolwich foot tunnels.**

Alternative crossings will be made available when the tunnels have to close for safety reasons. From Monday, April 19, both tunnels will be closed for several hours a day for the refurbishment work. The Greenwich tunnel will be closed from Monday to Friday nights, from 9pm to 6am. The Woolwich tunnel will be closed Monday to Friday from 6.30am to 8pm from April 19. Work on the tunnels will involve a limited

programme of part-time closures. They are being introduced to ensure the safety of tunnel users following consultation with business organisations, cyclists groups and others. The council has timed the work worked to minimise inconvenience.

● **A SECTION of the Thames path to the west of Greenwich Peninsula and The O<sub>2</sub> is closed to pedestrians for safety reasons as a number of riverside repair and improvement projects get underway. Pedestrians and cyclists can take a diverted route along Blackwall Lane and Tunnel Avenue. More details at [www.greenwich.gov.uk](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk)**

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the middle of the Thames Gateway, one of Europe's biggest regeneration areas. This, coupled with the advantages that the 2012 Olympic Games brings to Greenwich, have cushioned us from the worst ravages of the recession.

Currently, over £17 million pounds worth of business has been placed in Greenwich as a direct result of the Olympics - and we can expect to see the figure grow substantially in the next two years as more of the smaller contracts are awarded as opposed to the gigantic construction work

by the multi-nationals that has taken place so far.

I have recently spoken to a large format digital print company that has enjoyed its best month ever in March, 2010, and a construction logistics company that is about to invest seriously in new warehousing facilities on what is currently industrial wasteland. These organisations are not alone - many of our members are feeling far more secure and anticipating growth or at least stability in the coming year.

There are doubtless more tough times to come with public spending cuts

inevitable, regardless of the outcome of the election, and it is possible that unemployment figures may have to grow before they can start to shrink again. The important thing is that the SMEs who employ a vast number of local residents are surviving and will hopefully be in a position to grow and start to positively affect the future for job-seekers.

So we've survived the winter, we're enjoying spring and let's hope that the next stop is a long, warm summer

**Steve Nelson is principal director of the SE London Chamber of Commerce**

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# LETTERS

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## Letter from the editor of the News Shopper

HOW can Greenwich Time possibly justify its existence? It strays ever further from the truth. The latest case in point is the frankly ludicrous report of the debate to decide on the application to hold Olympic equestrian events at Greenwich Park, which took place at Woolwich Town Hall on Tuesday, March 23. My reporter, Mark Chandler, was at the meeting but, having read your report, it seems he may have made some mistakes in his reporting of this highly controversial decision. For a start, by his reckoning, there were 300 protesters at the meeting. This was not mentioned in Peter Cordwell's report. He also believed the campaign group No to Greenwich Olympic Equestrian Events (Nogoe) submitted

**STAR LETTER**

a petition against the event, signed by 13,500 people. This was not mentioned in Peter Cordwell's report. He also understood there to be a threat of legal action from Nogoe over Greenwich Council's right to make this decision. This was not mentioned in Peter Cordwell's report. It was Mark's understanding that 30 presentations, most of them opposed to this plan, were made at the meeting. This was not mentioned in Peter Cordwell's report. Mark also believes he heard Lord Coe barracked during his speech and saw him hounded by several people as he left. This was not mentioned in Peter Cordwell's report. Mark tells me several people expressed their concerns at the level of detail in the application and about the potential for long term damage to the

park. This was not mentioned in Peter Cordwell's report. His expenses sheet indicates the meeting lasted an unprecedented five hours. This was not mentioned in Peter Cordwell's report. Naturally, given the very different nature of News Shopper's article and the report which appeared in Greenwich Time, I had some concerns about the accuracy of our piece. But a quick glance at the Greenwich Mercury's report of the same meeting confirmed all of the points made above. This is either some kind of mistake on one of our parts or it is the most chilling example of state-run propaganda yet to appear in your paper, a paper that costs taxpayers more than £600,000 of their money every year to produce. So Greenwich Time, which is it?

**Richard Firth, Editor, News Shopper**

## REPLY FROM THE EDITOR OF GT

**GREENWICH** Council supports the need for a vibrant local press. We believe it plays a vital role by scrutinising councils. Council publications have an important function that newspapers do not - telling residents about the 800 services we offer. Residents have a right to know how we spend their council tax. Greenwich Time helps the council to do this.

GT is the only paper to cover the whole of Greenwich. It ensures residents have equal access to our information. In the past both the Mercury and the Shopper delivered GT with their paper, but we received lots of complaints from residents who lived in areas not covered by

either paper. Our stand alone paper overcomes this issue. It also carries details of social housing available for rent. This can help to speed up letting times and save taxpayers money through increased revenue. The net costs of GT have fallen from 22p per copy as a fortnightly publication to just 5p as a weekly one due to increased advertising revenue. In budgetary terms a weekly paper is a "no brainer". We hope to be able to announce even lower production costs in the near future. In respect of our coverage of the Planning Board, anyone who attended the meeting would have seen that far from all the 300 attendees were against the application. Many

local residents spoke out in favour of the plans, or cheered other speakers such as Lord Coe. In total there were 17 speakers in favour of the plans and 17 against. Many planning meetings have gone on for longer than five hours. Your reporters don't attend all council meetings and so may not be aware of this. We have printed many letters from opponents of the equestrian events. We want to continue working with the Shopper in areas where we have a joint interest. Our successful campaign to secure a Crossrail station in Woolwich bears testament to what we can achieve when we work together for local residents.

**Peter Cordwell, Editor of Greenwich Time**

## Well, Who'd have thought it...

AS a Woolwich resident, I'd just like to say how much I enjoyed last week's appearance of Doctor Who star Matt Smith in Woolwich. The event was great fun for everyone involved and as a big fan of the show seeing the new Doctor in the flesh really made my day! My Favourite Dr Who will always be Christopher Eccleston - but the new series has got off to a

promising start. I'm in my forties now and can remember, like so many others, hiding behind the sofa during the programme. Who'd have thought it would have remained so popular so long?

**Shaun McGuire, Woolwich**

● I NEVER thought I'd see the day when General Gordon Square would have a giant screen and the latest Dr Who

star making a personal appearance. It was great to see the faces of people young and old as one of their favourite characters came to town. The only complaint is that the monsters were not as scary as they should have been.

Mind you, like many people, I don't think any of them will match the Daleks!

**J. Oliver, Plumstead**

## Magic of the Marathon

I CAN'T wait for the London Marathon to take place later in the month. It's always a wonderful experience which brings along a good community spirit amongst those participating and watching the runners. I'm delighted that Greenwich is always a major focus of the run and that the Park continues to

be the starting point of the race. I think it is great for Greenwich that many of the borough's attractions will be taken in along the route and I'm sure I'm not the only one who feels proud to see Greenwich feature so prominently in this great race year after year.

**Marvin Cort, Plumstead**

● COMPETED 23 years ago at the age of 39 and I remember thanking people by the Cutty Sark for supporting us! One person on called out: "No, we're here to thank you!" It was that kind of surreal appreciation that is the magic of the Marathon and brings people together.

**G. Masters, Lee**

## Nervy Addick Hello, spring!

WAS there ever such a nerve-wracking season at The Valley? We seem to be heading for the play-offs but even that's not a certainty and these days we're all dragged into the same kind thinking over money, ie clubs are doomed if they go down or don't go up. There was a time when we all accepted that clubs were owned and run by the local big businessman - Bob Lord at Burnley springs to mind - but these days it seems that multi-millionaires from abroad are the answer until, in cases like Iceland, whole countries go broke! What I want is for Charlton to go up but, if not, I want them to remain as the great local club they are, whichever division they are in, for the rest of my life.

**Nervy Addick, Greenwich**

IT'S a long time coming, but a change is gonna come! I could be talking about things spiritual but on this occasion I'm talking about spring which, when you think about it, is VERY spiritual. Excuse me for rambling on but spring's late arrival is even more welcome this year, it seems to me. My partner and I and our joint grandchildren made our first visit this year (!) to East Greenwich Pleasance and what a joy it was to see them running around while we enjoyed an excellent (real) cup of coffee and a cake. We're blessed in this country with a green and pleasant land and we get more than our fair share in Greenwich, as everyone says. And the forecast is for a lovely summer too. Bring it on!

**J. Nunn, Kidbrooke**

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Greenwich Council in exercise of its powers under the Local Authorities (Alcohol Consumption in Designated Public Places) Regulations 2007 has made an order, which will come into effect on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2010, identifying places detailed in the schedule below as designated public places pursuant to the Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001 (as amended by the Violent Crime Reduction Act 2004).

The Order allows a police officer, police community support officer (where accredited under section 41, section 42 and schedule 5 to the Police Reform Act) and people accredited through a community safety accreditation scheme to control the consumption of alcohol within designated public places. If they believe that someone is consuming alcohol or intends to consume alcohol they can require them to stop or they can confiscate the alcohol. Any person who fails without reasonable excuse to comply with an officer's request under this provision may commit an offence and may be issued with a penalty notice for disorder or may be liable to prosecution.

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## Zoe's 'dream' date

GREENWICH Starting Blocks star Zoe Smith has been snapped up by the National Portrait Gallery - and the location for the photograph was outside the Trafalgar Tavern in Greenwich, writes Peter Cordwell



**SNAPPED:** Zoe Smith

Dreams' at 10.35pm. Zoe, from Abbey Wood, was pulled out of the British Schools championships by her coach but still attended because of

all the publicity around her taking part. "I presented some of the trophies, which felt a little weird, but I enjoyed staying overnight in Birmingham with my weightlifting friend Hannah," said Zoe. "The only downside was missing my aunt's surprise 40th birthday party." **• FIND out more about Starting Blocks at [www.greenwichstartingblocks.org](http://www.greenwichstartingblocks.org)**

## Make YOUR vote count

**RESIDENTS** are being reminded to make sure they are registered to vote in both the local elections and general election on Thursday, May 6. You must be on the Electoral Register within the next seven days - by Tuesday, April 20 - with registration forms downloadable from [www.greenwich.gov.uk/elections](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/elections) Anyone unsure about whether they are registered or not should call the electoral office on 020-8921 5183 or email

[elect@greenwich.gov.uk](mailto:elect@greenwich.gov.uk) to double-check. People who have recently moved house will need to re-register with their new address. Those who may not be able to vote at their local polling station can apply now for a postal vote or proxy vote (where someone they trust casts their vote for them), but the deadline for receipt of postal vote applications is April 20 at 5pm. Local elections are held every four years. Greenwich has 17 wards, each represented by three

councillors. General elections can be held at any time but not longer than five years apart. **• TO** find out any additional information on the Greenwich Local elections 2010, including a Statement of Persons nominated (which lists the candidates for each of the 17 wards) or to download any required application forms - or to find your nearest polling station - you can visit the Greenwich Council website: [www.greenwich.gov.uk/elections](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/elections)



**PLUGGED IN:** a young course member is all set for life as an electrician

# Bright sparks

## CTC course just the job for electricians

by Dick Townsend-Smith

**THIRTY** people who never get their wires crossed have been presented with certificates for passing City and Guilds electrical courses at the CTC Training Centre at Parry Place in Woolwich.

The graduates received them at a special ceremony at the college on Tuesday, March 30. The event was attended by both their families as well as local electrical companies.

"We invited electrical

companies because they might be able to give apprenticeships to some of our students," said centre director Cyril Emuh. "Over the years we have offered different courses, and this one is designed particularly to help people get jobs locally."

"We are now looking to work with more young people to prepare them for apprenticeships. A new beginners' group has just started, and most of the people on it are unemployed."

The 26-week electrical engineers courses started two years ago, working closely with Greenwich Community

College. Since then more than 100 students have qualified, with pass rates averaging between 80 and 90 per cent.

At the presentation, some of the students spoke of the difference the training had made to them. Wayne Nelson, who wanted a career change after working as a cab driver, said receiving his certificate had been a triumphant moment for him.

"If you don't have an education, this piece of paper speaks for you and says it all. It's the happiest day of my life," he said.

The graduates were told: "This course has built up

people's confidence, which is really important. The achievement is much more than just a piece of paper. We will always need electricians, which means we will always have to train people. But you have done it and this is your day."

CTC Training provides several electrical courses, including full electrician training, inspection and testing, and portable appliance testing. Most of its students are mature students who have decided to make major career changes.

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**N**ew research has revealed that, after the understandable flurry in the first eight weeks of motherhood, the period when first-time mums have the most questions about their babies' development can be pin-pointed to five months and one week<sup>1</sup> after they have given birth.

This crucial period is when visits from friends and family naturally decline, leaving mums to make decisions on their own, and at risk of feeling isolated and anxious.

Mums had the most new questions at this time around weaning (81%), sleeping (42%) and safety in the home (22%). The survey was undertaken to help with the development of NHS Baby LifeCheck by the Department of Health. NHS Baby LifeCheck ([www.babylifecheck.co.uk](http://www.babylifecheck.co.uk)) is a free online questionnaire to help new mums and dads keep their babies healthy, happy and safe.

The research found that during the five to eight month period:

- 81% say their baby's needs are changing and developing quickly (teething, weaning, moving around) which leads to lots of questions and concerns as to whether they're doing things right and meeting all of those needs.
- 60% experience a drop in regular visits from friends and family.
- 54% say their partner is less able by this point to get home or be at home to help out.
- 32% say they don't have any time for themselves.
- 20% felt the realisation that baby care tasks are 'repetitive and mundane'.

However, advice and support is available at this time from child health clinics, general practice and Sure Start Children's Centres. Kayleigh Pillington, a new first time mum of Logan-Rhys, now six months, says: "Everyone is so excited about the baby at first, but five months in when you've got more questions than ever because they're doing all these new things, interest in you and the baby really dies down. That's when I started to feel anxious – it was all on my shoulders and I just wasn't sure if I was doing it right."



<sup>1</sup>Between 3 and 12 months of a baby's life, mums are on average most likely to feel anxious and isolated at 5.2 months.

More than half (54%) of new mums hear from family once a week after their baby is born, but this drops to only a quarter (25%) five months in.

While grandparents, aunts and uncles may offer to help with babysitting and bedtime up to three or four times a week (65%) in the first month post birth, by five to eight months they only offer once a week or less (63%).

One London Health Visitor said: "Parents are given essential support and advice in the first few months of their baby's life. But the next stage is also a key time in their child's development and can be a difficult time especially for first time parents. It is important that information and advice is easily accessible, which is why NHS Baby LifeCheck was developed."

"It particularly focuses on providing support for parents of five to eight month old babies between scheduled visits from health professionals and it is a key time in their development. By guiding parents through some simple questions, we can then offer advice and reassurance on making the best decisions for their child without being judgemental."

Created in consultation with parents, [www.babylifecheck.co.uk](http://www.babylifecheck.co.uk) recognises that being the mum or dad of a young baby can sometimes be a challenge.

It is an easy to use, online service covering topics including: development, talking and playing, feeding, healthy teeth, safety, sleep routine, immunisations and being a parent. [www.babylifecheck.co.uk](http://www.babylifecheck.co.uk) offers top tips, helpful videos and details of organisations which can support people across a range of issues – from weaning worries to feeling down or lonely.

NHS Baby LifeCheck is not a medical assessment and has no symptom checker. It does not provide help for parents who are worried their baby is ill. Parents with medical concerns should call NHS Direct.

NHS Baby LifeCheck is one of three NHS LifeCheck services. NHS Teen LifeCheck, aimed 12 – 15 year olds and NHS Mid-life LifeCheck, aimed at people aged 40+, are also being rolled out nationally.



# Don't do it yourself!

## The company that can help you back to front

by Peter Cordwell

**THERE'S** always plenty of advice for companies just starting up or for those looking to expand. But usually you have to do the work yourself.

Here's one company that's different - they'll do it for you, so that you can get on doing what you do best, your own business.

It's called Back Office Front Office, it's located at 23/25 Greenwich Church Street and it's the brainchild of Jack Verkruysse and Alice Gur-Arie.

Basically, the company combines outsourcing with consulting. "We call it 'outsourcing'," said Jack, whose career has focussed on financial services for global institutions in North America, Europe and India.

"We will take care of infrastructure and operations - back office - and customer facing services - front office - for small and medium-sized companies. It frees up valuable time that could be spent networking, engaging with customers, taking courses and learning about competitors.

"We also provide consulting services to help customers define where they want their business to go - and establish a roadmap to get

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**We also provide consulting services to help customers define where they want their business to go - and establish a roadmap to get there.**

BO/FO, as it's called, provides 65 services in groupings such as Mail Room, Technology, Financial Services, Marketing and Sales, with consulting services in marketing, IT and management. Alice said: "There's any number of companies out there that need help and advice in these areas. They're told how to do it but then left to do it themselves, when they'd rather get on with their own work.

"We say 'work for

yourself, not by yourself'. It's convenient and cost effective and for most services the customer can choose the service level that suits them best."

Alice grew up in Canada and the Middle East, starting her career as a copy writer in advertising agencies but moved into marketing and strategy, holding senior management roles in several global companies. She said: "Hiring permanent people often is not the answer, and managing relationships with a multitude of suppliers requires a lot of time and can be costly.

"We are well positioned to become the provider of choice for small and medium sized businesses in the UK, and also for international businesses wanting a London 'presence'."

● **FOR more information go to at [www.backoffice-frontoffice.co.uk](http://www.backoffice-frontoffice.co.uk) or email [admin@backoffice-frontoffice.co.uk](mailto:admin@backoffice-frontoffice.co.uk)**



**OUTSMARTING:** Jack Verkruysse and Alice Gur-Arie get back office and front office results

## Think Olympics NOW

**LOCAL** businesses need to need to be quick off the mark NOW to make the most of the 2012 London Olympics coming to Greenwich.

That's the view of SE Enterprise's Morton Patterson. "What I've been telling businesses is that 2012 is a fantastic opportunity for them to think now about how they can benefit from the Games," said Morton from the SEE offices in Burney Street, Greenwich.

"It's no good thinking about it in two years' time. Companies need to have a strategy in place right now because it is not going to happen again. "We all have to be aware that many other London boroughs won't be able to share this opportunity so it's vital that we don't let the chance slip by.



**GO FOR IT:** Morton Patterson

Greenwich has so much going for it, with its fantastic maritime history, but the benefits from the Olympic and Paralympic Games won't happen by themselves." Morton believes businesses should banish any fears around 2012. He said: "In some people's minds they may feel overwhelmed by a world-class event coming to the borough, but this is why planning is so important. All the while you are trying to maximise a

situation you don't have time to worry or be negative. In essence, we all have to get in the right frame of mind to develop confidence and do things properly."

A vital element is to be ready to welcome people to Greenwich from all over the world. "We already have a very diverse borough so we've got the experience to provide a wonderful welcome for our Olympic visitors. "What we need is to have a collective smile on our faces, we need to be up for it and be excited by the prospect. We mustn't let it pass us by but say, wow, this is a wonderful opportunity. Let's go for it!"

● **LOCAL** businesses can contact Morton on 020-8305 2222 or email [info@seenterprise.co.uk](mailto:info@seenterprise.co.uk)

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- Come and find out about the Council's Grant Budget priorities and comment on the Council's draft commissioning framework which will cover the period 2011-2014.
- Have an opportunity to ask questions about the process, and tell us about the kind of support you will need to assist you with the process.

Whether you are a user or a Third Sector provider, you are invited to come along to any of the workshops that are detailed below.

### WORKSHOP EVENTS SCHEDULE (March - May 2010)

#### General Events - Overview of Commissioning:

These events will explain the draft principles of the framework and the proposed process for commissioning.

#### Weekend:

Date: 17th April 2010 - Time: 10.00am - 1.00pm  
Public Hall, Market Street, Woolwich SE18 6PW

#### Evening:

Date: 5th May 2010 - Time: 6.00pm - 8.00pm  
Old Library, Charlton House, Charlton Road SE7 8RE

#### Themed Events:

These events will explain the funding priorities, outcomes and the commissioning service standards relating to the individual funding streams.

#### COMMUNITY CENTRES

Date: 15th April 2010 - Time: 6.00pm - 8.00pm  
Grand Salon, Charlton House, Charlton Road SE7 8RE  
To book a place please phone: 020 8921 6372/5347

#### HOUSING @ HOMELESSNESS

21st April 2010 - 09.30am - 2.00pm  
Charlton House, Charlton Road SE7 8RE  
To book a place please phone: 020 8921 5161

#### EQUALITIES & WORKLESSNESS

Date: 22nd April 2010  
Time: (Equalities) 10.00am-12.00pm  
(Worklessness) 1.00pm - 3.00pm  
Celebration Hall, Forum@Greenwich, Trafalgar Road SE10 9EQ  
To book a place please phone: 020 8921 6372/5347

#### INDEPENDENT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & ADVOCACY SERVICE

27th April 2010 - Time: 3.00pm - 5.00pm  
Greenwich Room, Clockhouse Community Centre, Defence Walk, Woolwich Dockyard SE18 5QL  
To book a place please phone: 020 8921 6372/5347

#### LEGAL ADVICE SERVICES

27th April 2010 - Time: 6.00pm - 8.30pm  
Old Library, Charlton House, Charlton Road SE7 8RE  
To book a place please phone: 020 8921 6372/5347

#### ADULTS & OLDER PEOPLE

Date: 5th May 2010 - Time: 11.00am - 1.00pm  
Forum@Greenwich, Trafalgar Road SE10 9EQ  
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#### CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Date: 6th May 2010 - Time: 12.00pm - 2.00pm  
Forum@Greenwich, Trafalgar Road, Greenwich SE10 9EQ  
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11th May 2010 - Time: 3.00pm - 5.00pm & 7.00pm - 9.00pm  
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All information regarding the Council's Consultation on its Third Sector Commissioning Framework is available on line:  
[www.greenwich.gov.uk/haveyoursay](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/haveyoursay)





# Dragons' loss

Art business flourishes without TV investors

by Dick  
Townsend-Smith

**AN art gallery shop which opened in Greenwich Market has gone from strength to strength, in spite of being turned down by the business experts on TV's Dragons' Den.**

Artist Hartwig Braun and his business partner Isaac Lilos asked the Dragons for a £50,000 investment to give their business a boost in exchange for a 10 per cent share of the company. But the Dragons said 'no' because they thought there was little hope of the pair growing their business and hitting the big time.

But Hartwig and Isaac proved them wrong – and since then their art gallery business, called Arty Globe, has been taking off in leaps and bounds. Hartwig specialises in fish-eye, freehand drawings of city skylines, and these have been turned into prints, canvases and other merchandise that make attractive gifts for both locals and visitors.

"Our shop has been open for a year and we made profits right from day one," said Isaac. "We have since sold 20,000 different merchandised products across the range, and we have now done work for Hamley's toy store in the West End for its 250th anniversary, and also the British Museum. Our prospects are looking really good."

"Christmas was really good for us because a lot of locals



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PICTURE PERFECT: Hartwig and Isaac show off their image of Greenwich

like to send local images abroad that show the place where they live."

But Isaac and Hartwig admit their appearance on Dragons' Den last September seemed to have been jinxed from the start.

"On the day we went up to film it we were the last on, and had to wait 12 hours," said Isaac. "I had just enough energy to deliver my pitch and I failed to show them the potential of what we could do. It just didn't go to plan. Dragon Peter Jones was intrigued by the artwork, and keen to know about our

finances. But we had opened the shop in Greenwich Market only two weeks earlier after six months running a weekend stall in Greenwich Market, so they felt it was not a good opportunity for them to invest in."

Hartwig, from Germany, works on his quirky and detailed line drawings of city skylines from home. His partner Isaac, originally from Israel, looks after the business side.

"We would really love to have four or five shops around London in nice areas where there is a good combination good of locals and visitors as there is here in Greenwich,"

said Isaac.

"We are also now looking at similar business opportunities in Berlin, Barcelona, Madrid, Paris, New York and Sydney."

"Ever since we started trading at Greenwich, and especially after we opened the shop in April 2009, locals and visitors have been asking us if we have an image of Greenwich drawn by Hartwig."

"We are very pleased to announce that finally, and after many months of having to put it to one side to work on commissions and other projects, Hartwig has finished the image and it is now available as canvases and prints in our shop."

## Borough BRIEFS

### Ten-mile trot for hospice

APPRENTICE carpenter Niki Fitzgerald put on his running shoes a month ahead of the London Marathon - in memory of his brother.

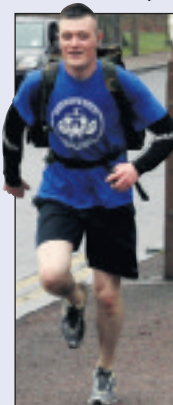
The 20-year-old from Thamesmead has raised over £1,000 so far for Greenwich and Bexley Cottage Hospice. He completed 10 miles through Woolwich, Charlton, Blackheath, Greenwich and Plumstead - finishing up at the hospice's main entrance on Bostall Hill, Abbey Wood.

Niki said: "I wanted to do something positive for the hospice. My brother passed away there a few years ago. I wanted to make a difference and put something back. 'I've raised £1,050 so far through pub and work sponsorship.' Next year, Niki plans to do the London Marathon, as well as a parachute jump."

● To make a

donation to the hospice, contact Julie Lawrie-Raison, community fundraiser at the hospice on 0208-319 9234 or email [julielawrie-raison@gbch.org.uk](mailto:julielawrie-raison@gbch.org.uk). The hospice has 19 beds and a day care centre and support for carers. Other services include education, complementary therapy and creative arts. Visit [www.cottagehospice.org.uk](http://www.cottagehospice.org.uk)

● The hospice has a quiz-night on Thursday, April 15, from 7pm, and a spring fair on Saturday, April 17, from 10am to 3pm.



## 3,000 flock to hospice Easter fair

MORE than 3,000 people attended Greenwich & Bexley Cottage Hospice's first major outdoor event of 2010, the annual Easter Fair, on Monday, April 5. The event raised over £5,000 for the hospice.

Fun and games included a giant egg hunt, inflatables, roundabouts, stalls and the delights of children's entertainer, Dizzy Lolly. The hospice's community fundraiser Susan Adams, said: "The weather was dry and sunny, perfect for Easter egg hunts and outdoor activities."

● TO find out how you can support the hospice's work, visit [www.cottagehospice.org.uk](http://www.cottagehospice.org.uk)  
● Greenwich Town Centre was filled with Easter cheer with a range of events including a free Easter Bonnet



**TWEET SUCCESS:** the big yellow bird accepted all donations gratefully workshop and parade, a puppet show by the Woodenfingers Theatre Company, Morris dancing and a market selling foods, fashion, shoes and jewellery.

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# 2012 advice for tourism firms

**BUSINESSES** connected to tourism can get support to ensure they benefit from the London 2012 Olympics through a new website launched last month.

The site has been set-up by VisitBritain in conjunction with the London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games (LOCOG) and the Nations and Regions Group, set up to

ensure the whole UK benefits from the Games. The site at [www.tourism2012games.org](http://www.tourism2012games.org) will provide tourism businesses with specialist advice and access to products and services that will help them prosper in the run up to and during the Games.

The site also includes guidelines on how businesses can promote their products and services in relation to the Games.

It will also offer marketing guidance and support from two of London 2012's main sponsors - BT and Lloyds TSB.

Tourism businesses are also invited to submit their own news and views about the 2012 Games and to register to for regular e-newsletter updates.

Sandie Dawe, chief executive of VisitBritain, said: "The 2012 Games are a once-in-a lifetime

opportunity to host the world's biggest party, to showcase Britain and improve our welcome.

"There is a potential £2.1 billion benefit at stake so with little over two years to go, we aim to make tourism businesses aware of the opportunities and challenges. The new Tourism2012Games website will help everyone in tourism understand exactly how

they can benefit from the Games."

Jonathan Edwards, the 2000 Olympic triple jump champion, who is now deputy chairman of London 2012 Nations and Regions Group, said: "The 2012 Games are vital to UK tourism. We know that the welcome given by people who work in our hotels, restaurants and attractions will make all the difference in 2012."

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## Observatory sun days

THE Greenwich Royal Observatory's Solar Season continues this month, with more opportunities to learn about the sun. A free exhibition is running until May 9 in the Astronomy Centre. And on April 17 you can become a solar scientist for free by joining one of the special workshops.

Analyse real data from orbiting satellites to help astronomers predict space weather and learn more about the ever changing face of the sun. Then on April 18, there are "snapping the sky" workshops for over 11s who are budding space-photographers. There are also more "Explore Saturdays" sessions on April 17 and April 24 where over 6s can hear about the world-changing discoveries in time and navigation.

- Full details at [www.nmm.ac.uk](http://www.nmm.ac.uk) or call 020- 8858 4422.

## Notice of Application for a Premises Licence Licensing Act 2003

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Interested parties may make representations to the Council on this application by no later than **13th May 2010**. All representations must be made in writing. Representations can only be made on the grounds of one of the four licensing objectives, namely:

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PLAYGROUND PARTY: the school and guests get together outside after the rededication service, below the Rt Revd Christopher Chessun

# Blessings from the Bishop

Pupils celebrate newlook school after arson

**THE BISHOP** of Woolwich came to give his blessing and good wishes at the reopening of a Thamesmead primary school which was hit by arson.

The Rt Revd Christopher Chessun led the rededication service of Bishop John Robinson School last month.

The ceremony was held before school head Steve Pepperrell, governors, staff and parents with many of the

children playing recorders, singing in the choir and saying prayers.

The bishop unveiled a new plaque to officially celebrate everyone's return to the school in Hoveton Road, Thamesmead, last September.

Each child received a booklet which included the order of service along with quotes from pupils, parents and staff about their views on the fire and returning to their school. Pupils also enjoyed a special lunch prepared by the school cook on the day.

Around a third of the school building was destroyed and the rest smoke damaged when arsonists struck in October 2008, causing more than £2m damage.

During its refurbishment, pupils were taught at nearby Discovery School in west

Thamesmead, and many of the children were transported to and from Discovery by coaches laid on by Greenwich Council.

BJR headteacher Steve Pepperrell said: "A big 'thank you' to Discovery School as it could not have been easy for them. The kindness of the late headmaster Mr Phil Smith will never be forgotten. I am also grateful to all the staff at BJR who were wonderful and worked extra hard to provide a supportive and caring environment for the small children throughout this confusing and difficult time.

"The children found it very hard to understand why other children should want to damage their school. This rededication marks a very happy time for all and the children are once again very proud of their school."



## Two arrested in drugs swoop

**TWO** men have been arrested as part of a drug sweep operation in Woolwich Common.

Two 18-year-olds were arrested for possession of drugs with intent to supply and have been bailed to return to Plumstead Police station in June.

They were found to have of £250 in cash and 38 wraps of crack cocaine,

with a street value of over £500, when stopped by officers from Shooters Hill Safe Neighbourhoods team just before the Bank Holiday weekend.

Several bags filled with cannabis were also found once both men were taken back to Plumstead Police station for a body search.

Officers from the Safer Neighbourhoods team had received information

from the public who thought they were acting suspiciously.

Safer Neighbourhoods officers are working in and around the Woolwich area and in conjunction with other policing teams to disrupt drug dealing and ensure that complaints and information received from the local community are immediately followed.

### Awards for maths masters

**STUDENTS** at an out-of-school maths club are set to receive awards for their hard work. The pupils attend Kumon maths education sessions at the Glynndon Community Centre. Children

who are working six months ahead of their school level are set to receive awards at the Advanced Student Roll Award Ceremony at the Glynndon on Saturday, June 5.

### LONDON BOROUGH OF GREENWICH ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14 GRIFFIN MANOR WAY AND HADDEN ROAD - TEMPORARY WAITING RESTRICTIONS

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  - (b) Hadden Road (between the south-eastern kerb-line of Griffin Manor Way and a point 11 metres south-east of that kerb-line).
2. The above restrictions would only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs.
3. The Order would come into force on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2010 and would continue in force for up to two years, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner.
4. Queries concerning these works should be directed to Greenwich Council's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 5579.

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# Sharpe shooters

## Step back in time for Firepower living history display

**VISITORS** to the Firepower museum can step back in time 200 years to the time of the Napoleonic era this weekend.

The Royal Artillery Museum on the Royal Arsenal is hosting a Living History weekend on Saturday and Sunday, April 17 and 18.

The event has been organised to celebrate fictional British soldier Richard Sharpe and the other characters featured in Bernard Cornwell's best-selling novels which were immortalised in the ITV Sharpe films starring Sean Bean.

The weekend has been organised with the Sharpe Appreciation Society, and visitors will have a chance to meet cast and crew-members, see props from the films as well as displays of Napoleonic weaponry.

Re-enactment groups with painstakingly-researched uniforms and equipment will gather at the museum to give displays of military drill and weapons displays from the Napoleonic period to bring the history to life.

Visitors are invited to come dressed in costumes of the time and will be able to meet other Sharpe fans who'll be coming from around Europe.

"We are delighted to be hosting this event in the Royal Arsenal with its uniquely historic atmosphere. It will be a fascinating mix of fact and fiction, saluting Sharpe, one of literature's most famous soldiers," said Firepower spokesperson



**SERIOUS SOLDIERS:** Sean Bean stars as Sharpe in a photo from the TV series. Photo: [www.riflemanharris.co.uk](http://www.riflemanharris.co.uk)

Eileen Noon. "Appropriately, the event will be taking place in the very buildings once occupied by The Duke of Wellington, one of history's most famous soldiers who also appeared in the Sharpe books."

And she added: "Much of our world-famous collection is from the Napoleonic period when Sharpe is set so we are the perfect venue for this event. We also plan to have some rarely seen Napoleon and Wellington artefacts on display only for the weekend."

Firepower will be open from 10.30am on each day of the Living History weekend. Admission costs are adults £5, children £2.50, concessions £4.50. Discounted family tickets are also available.

● **Firepower and the Greenwich Heritage Centre** will form part of a new Royal Arsenal Heritage Quarter which will host heritage and history events. Fans: War and Peace, an exhibition run in conjunction with the Fan Museum, starts today (April 13) until June 26. Visitors to the free display in the heritage centre will be able to get half price tickets to the display at Firepower. On May 15, there's a Royal Arsenal Community History Day including films and rare photos of Woolwich, family history experts, ghost walks and children's activities. The free event runs from 10.30am to 10pm and is part of the National Museums at Night weekend.

● Further details at [www.firepower.org.uk](http://www.firepower.org.uk)

## MEPS & GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY MEMBERS

### GLA MEMBER

Len Duvall (Lab) is the GLA member for Greenwich and Lewisham. Please write to Len Duvall, GLA, City Hall, Queen's Walk, London SE1 2AA; phone 020-7983 4408/4517; or email [len.duvall@london.gov.uk](mailto:len.duvall@london.gov.uk)

### EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Contact your MEP at the UK Office of the European Parliament on 020-7227 4300.

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

THE following meetings are taking place over the next few days in the Town Hall, Wellington Street (unless otherwise stated).

- April 19 - Licesning sub committee A, 10am.
- April 20 - Joint meeting of the Greenwich, Woolwich and Thamesmead, Eltham and Kidbrooke Area Planning and Environment committees, 6.30pm.
- Cabinet, 7pm.
- April 26 - Licesning sub committee B, 6.30pm.
- April 27 - Cabinet committee, 5.30pm.
- April 29 - Planning Board, 6.30pm.

More information on 020-8921 5130 or visit [www.greenwich.gov.uk/committees](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/committees)

# Kidbrooke among most improved

KIDBROOKE Secondary School has been highlighted as one of the most improved schools in the country.

The recognition has come from a national education organisation which hosted an awards ceremony in London last week.

The Specialist Schools and Academies Trust (SSAT) commended schools that have made the most improvement in GCSE results during the period 2006 - 2009.

Kidbrooke's GCSE results from 2009 show that since 2006, there has been a 21% rise in children receiving 5 A\* - C grades in subjects including Maths and English, and a 23% rise in subjects overall.

Trisha Jaffe, headteacher at Kidbrooke, said: "It is always pleasing that the

hard work and effort of staff and students is recognised by national bodies such as the SSAT.

"We have put in place over the last few years some very

strong approaches to teaching and learning that have borne fruit. These results are not a one-year wonder and we are looking forward to our continued

strength being recognised nationally and in Greenwich."

Chris Montacute, strategic director at SSAT, said:

"Congratulations to these specialist schools and academies, which are improving GCSE results and transforming the lives of their students."

He added: "It is through collaboration with each other, universities, businesses and with the wider local community that schools will deliver year on year improvements so that every young person, whatever their background or location, is given the opportunity to succeed."

● For more information about schools in Greenwich visit [www.greewich.gov.uk/schools](http://www.greewich.gov.uk/schools)



**RESULT:** Kidbrooke pupils celebrate their exam results last summer

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Interested parties may make representations to the Council on this application by no later than **10<sup>th</sup> May 2010**. All representations must be made in writing. Representations can only be made on the grounds of one of the four licensing objectives, namely:

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by Steve Nelson

around you? What's more, everyone is in the room to do the same thing - talk and listen; there's no reception to get past; no over-protective PA; just a wealth of potential. It's important to remember that there are two main ways to increase your bottom line. One is to increase your sales, the other is to buy better. Networking is not just about selling,

**I enjoy the Chamber's lunches and breakfasts - they're a great way of finding new business**

Warren King:  
Warren King Photography

it's about finding new suppliers, so you should attend meetings prepared to listen as well as to talk. Obviously, confidence needs to be built in a business relationship. Don't expect to go to one meeting and come away with a book full of orders. It might take quite a few meetings to build up the sort of rapport that is required prior to work resulting. Magic does sometimes happen, however. I got my biggest-ever contract via a SE London Chamber networking event, worth

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**he Chamber's working events are an excellent marketing opportunity**

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approximately £100,000 p.a. for three years. Even if you find yourself talking to a competitor it's not a waste of time. It's an opportunity to benchmark or maybe exchange a bit of best practice, but don't be afraid to extract yourself from a conversation that's going nowhere. Fellow guests understand that you don't want to spend the whole meeting just talking to them. If you are at a Chamber meeting then you will receive a list of attendees, have a quick scan through and mark off the

ones you particularly want to meet. You can then draw a conversation to a close without causing any embarrassment by saying that you really must get to meet these people before the meeting is over. Finally, enjoy yourself, don't rush things and don't try and give everyone in the room a hard sell. Networking is about making friends in convivial surroundings - the business will follow almost as a by-product. **•FOR more business advice visit [www.greenwich.gov.uk/business](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/business)**



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# GreenwichHomes

Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Edition 180

## How the lettings policy works

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Property adverts say which band can apply and any other criteria. When all the bids are received, the property is then offered to:

**For properties advertised for band A and band B** - the applicant who has had this priority status for the longest time.

**For properties advertised for band C applicants** - the applicant who has been registered on the Council's list for the longest time.

### Band

- A** is for applicants in unsatisfactory housing, including people moving due to demolition and those underoccupying their homes.
- B** is for applicants the council must prioritise according to the law, particularly homeless people, and others with an urgent need to move for medical or welfare reasons.
- C** is for all applicants on the housing register, including those that are in priority bands A and B.

## How do I apply?

### 1 Get on the list

First, you've got to be on the housing waiting list to join the scheme. If you're not, get an application form by phoning the Access and Allocations Section on 020 8921 2941. Or pick up a form from any neighbourhood office.

### 2 Find your applicant number

It will be on the letter you've already had from the Council about the new scheme. You'll need that number and the reference number of the property you're after, which will be on the advert.

### 3 Pick out your ideal property

by looking in *Greenwich Time* or regularly checking the website:

[www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes)

Click on your preference on the website. If you don't have a computer, you can always use one for free in either your neighbourhood housing office, library or UK Online centre.

### 4 Apply in one of two ways

- Phone the 24-hour hotline 020 8921 4340. It's an automatic push-button system and calls will be charged at the normal local rate, or
- Via the Council's website

[www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes)

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The next edition of GreenwichHomes will be available on **Wednesday 21 April 2010 at midday** and will include any Housing Association properties when available. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on **Sunday 18 April 2010**.

[www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes)



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# GreenwichHomes

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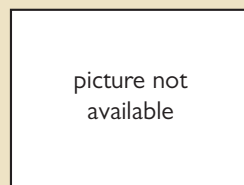


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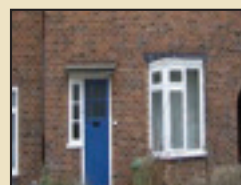


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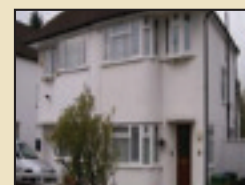


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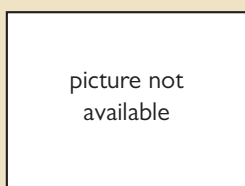
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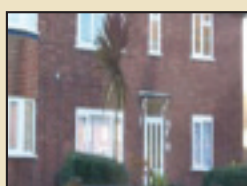


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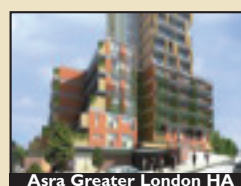
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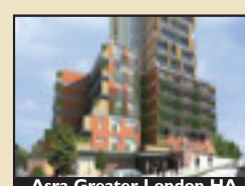


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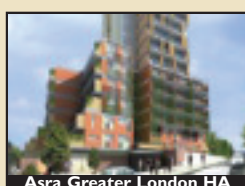
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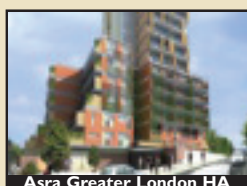
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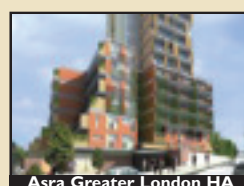
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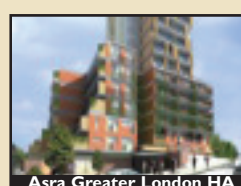
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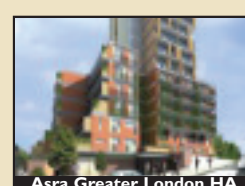
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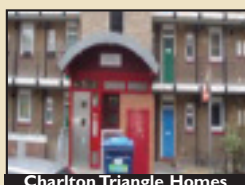
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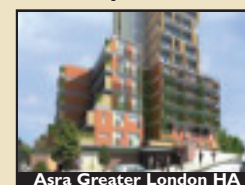
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**Elmgrove Point Elmley Street SE18**  
4 Bed Grnd Floor Mais.  
Rad C/H. No Dogs  
**£138.53 pw** Bands A&B



Moat Housing Group

Ref Number: 107622  
**Metcalf Court West Parkside SE10**  
2 Bed 4th Floor Flat  
Lifted. Entry phone  
Rad C/H. No Dogs.  
**£161.33 pw** Bands A&B



Asra Greater London HA

Ref Number: 107634  
**Elmgrove Point Walmer Terr SE18**  
4 Bed Grnd Floor Mais.  
Rad C/H. No Dogs  
**£138.53 pw** Bands A&B



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Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

Anyone on the housing list can apply for these

Rsl allocations policy applies to **Housing Association** properties

Only applicants aged 50+ can apply



Gallions HA

Ref Number: 77078  
**Raymond Postgate Ct, Tawney Rd SE28**  
1 Bed 3rd Floor Flat  
Entry phone Lifted  
Rad C/H No Dogs  
**£80.50 pw** Band C



L&amp;Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 78141  
**Woodhill SE18**  
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat  
Rad C/H No Dogs  
**£96.07 pw** Band C



Gallions HA

Ref Number: 81480  
**Webb Court Attlee Road SE28**  
1 Bed 7th Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phone  
Rad C/H No dogs  
**£83.99 pw** Band C



L&amp;Q Housing Trust

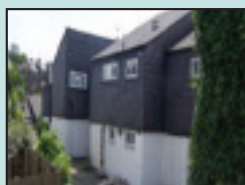
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**Griffin Road SE18**  
Bedsit Grnd Floor Flat  
Rad C/H No Dogs  
**£60.85 pw** Band C



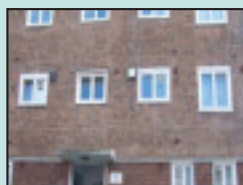
Ref Number: 105508  
**Dyson House Blackwall Lane SE10**  
3 Bed 2nd Floor Flat  
Rad C/H. Min 2 child any age  
**£92.62 pw** Band C



Ref Number: 105858  
**Coldharbour Crest Gt Harry Drive SE9**  
2 Bed 5th Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phn. Rad  
C/H No Pkg Min 1 child  
**£85.77 pw** Band C



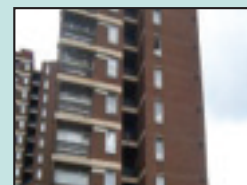
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**The Heights SE7**  
1 Bed Grnd Floor Flat  
Rad C/H  
**£77.52** Band C



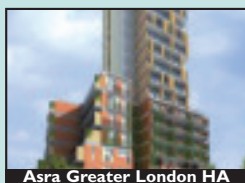
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**Dianthus Close SE2**  
Bedsit Grnd Floor Flat  
Entry phone Rad C/H  
**£61.95 pw** Band C



Ref Number: 106999  
**Acworth House Barnfield Road SE18**  
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat  
Lifted Rad C/H  
No Pkg. Min 1 child  
**£84.07 pw** Band C

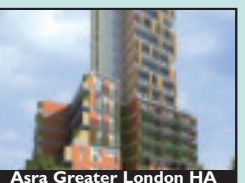


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**Egremont House Russet Way SE13**  
1 Bed 12th Floor Flat  
Entry phone Lifted  
Storage Heaters  
**£81.95 pw** Band C



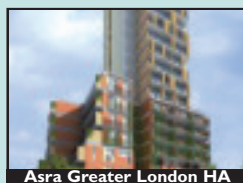
Asra Greater London HA

Ref Number: 107598  
**Elmgrove Point Walmer Terr SE18**  
2 Bed 4th Floor Flat  
Lifted Rad C/H No dogs  
Max 1 child over 10  
**£140.36** Band C



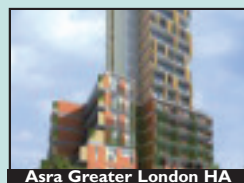
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**Elmgrove Point Walmer Terr SE18**  
2 Bed 4th Floor Flat  
Lifted Rad C/H. No dogs  
Max 1 child under 10  
**£140.36 pw** Band C



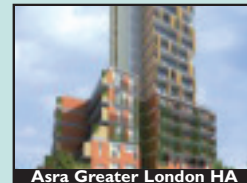
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Ref Number: 107604  
**Elmgrove Point Walmer Terr SE18**  
2 Bed 5th Floor Flat  
Lifted Rad C/H  
No dogs No chn  
**£140.36 pw** Band C



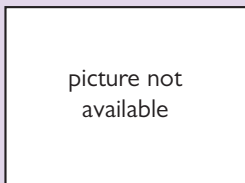
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Ref Number: 107606  
**Elmgrove Point Walmer Terr SE18**  
2 Bed 5th Floor Flat  
Lifted Rad C/H. Max 1 child over 10. No dogs  
**£140.36 pw** Band C



Asra Greater London HA

Ref Number: 107607  
**Elmgrove Point Walmer Terr SE18**  
2 Bed 5th Floor Flat  
Lifted Rad C/H Max 1 child over 10. No dogs  
**£140.36 pw** Band C



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Ref Number: 107557  
**Brooks Close SE9**  
1 Bed 2nd Floor Flat  
Entry phn Lifted  
Rad C/H No Pkg  
**£79.29 pw** Band C

## Bands A&B priority applicants

Fewer Bands A&B priority applicants have been bidding for advertised properties in recent weeks. **Please note that if you do not bid on a regular basis you risk losing your priority status.**

Please contact the office if you need help in bidding.

## Important Notice

Please note the closing date to register your bids for advertised properties will be **every Sunday at midnight.**



Charlton Triangle Homes

Ref Number: 107291  
**Priory House Springfield Grv SE7**  
2 Bed 2nd Floor Flat  
Lifted. Gas Fire/Rad  
C/H No Dogs.  
**£85.28 pw** Band C

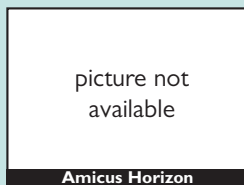


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**Amicus Horizon**

Ref Number: 107616  
**Prestwood Close SE18**  
2 Bed Hse Gdn  
Rad C/H Mo Dogs  
Max 1 child under 16  
**£124.95 pw** Band C



**Gallions HA**

Ref Number: 107676  
**Cole Close SE28**  
1 Bed 2nd Floor Flat  
Gdn. Entry phn Rad  
C/H. No dogs  
Over 40s  
**£84.52 pw** Band C



**Gallions HA**

Ref Number: 107677  
**Passfield Path Thamesmead SE28**  
3 Bed Hse Gdn  
Rad C/H No dogs  
**£101.93 pw** Band C



**Asra Greater London HA**

Ref Number: 107774  
**Elmgrove Point Elmley Street SE18**  
4 Bed Grd Flr Mas  
Rad C/H No dogs  
**£138.53 pw** Band C



**Charlton Triangle Homes**

Ref Number: 107796  
**Valiant House Valley Grove SE7**  
1 Bed 6th Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Dogs  
**£84.03** Band C

## Are your contact details up-to-date?

As it is often necessary to contact applicants at short notice, it is important that we have the current contact details for all our applicants.

Details can be given via e-mail to [housing-needs-unit@greenwich.gov.uk](mailto:housing-needs-unit@greenwich.gov.uk) or by tel 020 8921 2941

For information or assistance contact our Allocations Team on: 020 8921 2941 Textphone (minicom): 020 8921 2996

Email: [housing-needs-unit@greenwich.gov.uk](mailto:housing-needs-unit@greenwich.gov.uk)

Fax: 020 8854 7212

## Small is beautiful the Under Occupation scheme

If you are living in a Council property that is too big for you, we can help you to move to somewhere smaller.

The Council will pay your removal costs, and £350 for each bedroom gained.

To join the scheme you must be willing to move to a home with two bedrooms less than you have now:

- 3 bedroom to a 1 bedroom home
- 3 bedroom parlour/4 bedroom to a 1 or 2 bedroom home
- 5 bedroom to a 3 bedroom (or smaller) home

For more information contact the Project Team on tel:

**020 8921 2671**

textphone: 020 8921 2996/2657

**Multiple viewings** are arranged for all advertised properties including those from **Registered Social Landlords**. This means that:

- the top three eligible households who successfully bid and are eligible for a property will be invited to view the property.
- each household will receive a letter giving them an appointment to view the property and telling them their position on the bidding list, ie 1st, 2nd, 3rd (this position is based on the applicant's registration date or date of priority).
- following the viewing, the property will be offered to the highest placed applicant who accepts the property.

If you have any queries regarding multiple viewings you can contact us on **020 8921 2941**.



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## Sheltered / Retirement Housing

Sheltered Housing provides independence in a secure and friendly environment. Each Sheltered Scheme has a Scheme Manager who is the main source of support. There is 24 hour cover from the Telecare Service. The age criteria is over 60 years, but we can consider people over 55 years with a support need.

**Our current vacancies include:** (several ready to let)

### One Person Properties

**Beacham Close**, Charlton, Ground Floor, Studio Flat..

**Bill Walden House**, Woolwich, 2nd floor flat.  
**Collerston Hse**, Greenwich, 1 bed, 2nd floor flat

**Cooper Court**, Herbert Road, Plumstead, 3rd Floor studio Flat.

**Defiance Walk**, Woolwich Dockyard, 1st Floor Studio Flat.

**George Akass House**, Plumstead, 1 bed, 1st floor flat.

**Green Lawns**, Woolwich, 1st Floor Studio Flat

**Haven Lodge**, Woolwich, Ground floor Studio Flat

**Hider Court**, Shooters Hill, 1 bed, 1st floor flat

**Langton way**, Blackheath, Ground floor, Studio flat.

**Len Clifton House**, Woolwich, Ground floor Studio flat

**40 Littleheath**, Charlton, 2nd floor Studio flat

**Mandela House**, Plumstead Common, 1st Floor Studio Flat

**Minnie Bennett Hse**, Shooters Hill Rd, 2nd floor, Studio Flat

**Sarah Turnbull House**, Woolwich, 3rd floor Studio flat.

**Strand Court**, Plumstead, 2nd Floor Studio Flat.

**174 Swingate Lane**, Plumstead Common, 3rd Flr Studio Flat.

### One Bedroom, Two Person Properties (unless stated)

**Defiance Walk**, Woolwich, 1 bed, 1st floor flat.

**George Akass House**, Plumstead, 1 bed, Ground floor flat.

**Green lawns**, Woolwich, 1 Bed, Ground floor flat.

**Len Clifton House**, Woolwich, 1 Bed, 2nd Floor Flat.

**Sam Manners House**, Greenwich, 1 bed, 1st floor flat.

**Sarah Turnbull House**, Woolwich, 2 bed, 2nd Floor flat.

**Strand Court**, Plumstead, 2 Bed, 1st Floor Flat.

*All the above properties are lifted unless stated.*

If you are interested in Sheltered housing please ring **020 8921 2671**, all applications are subject to a Sheltered Housing Assessment



### This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 177

Address	Bed-rooms	Property Type	No of Bids	Reg date of successful app	Band
Raymond Postgate Court Tawney Road SE28 8DR	1	FLAT	156	29/08/2006	C
Briset Road SE9 6LQ	3	HOUSE	109	24/10/1994	A
Jennings House Old Woolwich Road SE10 9NX	4	FLAT	23	01/04/2006	B
Glenalvon Way SE18 5HY	0	FLAT	132	20/03/2006	C
Nigeria Road SE7 7BS	3	HOUSE	68	05/10/1981	A
Polthorne Grove SE18 7DU	2	MAISONETTE	14	15/03/2010	B
Wordsworth House Woolwich Common SE18 4HR	1	FLAT	24	16/08/2004	A
Squires House Barnfield Road SE18 3UQ	2	FLAT	141	11/12/2008	C
The Heights SE7 8JJ	1	FLAT	375	07/11/2000	C
Old Clem Square SE18 4DR	1	BUNGALOW	130	03/08/1995	C
Pynham Close SE2 9QL	0	FLAT	92	03/10/2007	C
Burrage Road SE18 7LN	1	FLAT	28	10/04/1995	A
Barnfield Gardens SE18 3QX	4	FLAT	93	28/07/2004	C
Commonwealth Way SE2 0LE	2	FLAT	10	16/10/2008	C
Gavestone Road SE12 9BP	2	FLAT	14	19/02/2010	B
Charlton Road SE3 8TH	2	FLAT	26	22/12/1997	A
Boxgrove Road SE2 9JP	3	HOUSE	346	20/09/1991	C
Villas Road SE18 7PR	1	FLAT	223	07/09/2007	C
Woodhill SE18 5HW	2	FLAT	10	19/09/1994	A
Manister Road SE2 9PN	1	FLAT	25	17/11/1997	A
Brent Road SE18 3DT	1	FLAT	28	11/09/2008	B
Ann Street SE18 7LT	3	MAISONETTE	11	05/02/2010	B
Dahlia Road SE2 0SU	1	FLAT	204	18/10/2003	C
John Wilson Street SE18 6QJ	1	FLAT	226	03/09/2007	C
Parker House Brookhill Road SE18 6UU	4	MAISONETTE	103	13/11/2003	C
Gilbourne Road SE18 2NT	1	FLAT	236	09/05/2006	C
Llanover Road SE18 3SU	2	MAISONETTE	157	06/10/2006	C
Clothier House Kinveachy Gardens SE7 8EF	2	FLAT	20	05/10/2009	B
Webb Court Attlee Road SE28 8DN	2	FLAT	116	06/11/2008	C
Wren Path SE28 0DX	1	FLAT	107	13/07/2006	C
Barrington Villas Constitution Rise	4	HOUSE	48	17/10/2007	B
Arthur Grove SE18 7ES	2	HOUSE	268	26/07/2004	C

Please ensure that you only bid for properties that you are genuinely interested in. If your bid is successful and you then fail to attend the arranged viewing your priority could be removed or your application suspended.

## GreenwichHomes adverts

Greenwich Time is now being published 48 weeks a year and is delivered to all residents. GreenwichHome adverts are included in every issue.



# SCENE

## Music

**Plastic fantastic: Gorillaz**

- P24



## Film

**Nanny's back with a (big) bang**

- P24



# Seaside story

The tale of three castaways battling the odds – and each other – is the subject of a play that comes to town next week before it goes on tour

**ISOLATION,** boredom, and not seeing a soul for weeks at a time. No, not a winter break in

Skegness, but being stranded on a desert island. It's some people's idea of heaven, and others' vision of an agoraphobic nightmare. But what would have happened if Robinson Crusoe had brought his wife along on the bearded odyssey? They say that three's a crowd, so would trusty sidekick Man Friday have got the cold shoulder from the loved-up couple? Or would Robbo's missus have done the dirty on him with Friday any day of the week? These are the crafty posers, (OK, I've paraphrased a bit), pondered by a play that comes to Greenwich Theatre later this week: Two men, a woman and sexual tension a-plenty is what it is in a long-foraged nutshell.

**The Little Hut** is the remake of a 1957 movie starring Ava Gardner, Stewart Granger and David Niven - which was the translation of a French play, (Hollywood never changes, eh?) - called *La Petite Hutte*. A pretty faithful translation then... GCSE French lessons aside, the production that hits Greenwich Theatre next Tuesday (April 20) has an all star cast that has appeared in films alongside the likes of Zac Efron, Colin Firth and in BBC period dramas.

"It's about a married couple and their friend who are all washed up on a desert island together for a long time and how they sort out their relationship," says Janie Dee who plays Susan, the tug-of-loved wife in the farcical play. "The era is the '50s which means that everything was talked about and sorted out, eventually."

The actress, who has two coveted Olivier acting awards to her name, added: "It's about a very good marriage and a very good friendship and a perfect situation between them all and how they work it all



**TUG OF LOVE: (l-r) Aden Gillett, Janie Dee and Robert Portal**

## WIN! THEATRE TICKETS

Scene has a pair of tickets to **The Little Hut** to give away. Just answer this question: **Name the three actors who starred in the 1957 film of the same name? Comp ends April 19.**

Email name address and daytime contact no. to [competitions@greenwich.gov.uk](mailto:competitions@greenwich.gov.uk) or send a postcard marked 'Hut Comp' to Woolwich Town Hall, Wellington Street SE18 6PW

out." The French original - written by pen-smith Andre Roussin, and translated by Nancy Mitford - has lost none of its humour, despite being over 60-years-old. Playing stranded hubby Philip, Aden Gillett of BBC House Of Elliot fame said: "It is funny - it's not Chekhov! It's more like a Noel Coward play." Philip and Henry (Robert Portal), fight for the affections of Susan on a sparse stage at the theatre on Crooms Hill before the production goes nationwide. Robert explained: "Because the play is going on tour you can't really have a full set. We're on a 'disc' - for want of a better word - of sand, and there's the odd prop here and

there, but it's really down to the lighting and us three."

The desert islands of the 'Technicolor glory years' - Swiss Family Robinson; Treasure Island, et al - were populated by scores of exotic animals, but director Tim Luscombe was taking no chances with pesky pets this time.

"Well the director's difficult, yes - but I wouldn't call him an animal!" quipped Aden, who added: "There was a monkey in it originally - before Robert interjects, 'But he had better lines than us had so he had to go!'"

Rod Kitson

On at Greenwich Theatre from April 20 - 24 at 7.30pm, with a Wednesday matinee at 2.30pm Reader offer: Call the box office on 020 8858 7755 and quote 'Greenwich Time Offer' to get tickets for £10 instead of £17.50. (Subject to availability) [www.greenwichtheatre.org.uk](http://www.greenwichtheatre.org.uk)



## Laban-tastic

## Dancing the night away

THERE are three top choreographers coming to Laban next month. And proving that a start has an end, is **Endings**, the party piece when the Transitions dance company lays on the show from May 5-7. Choreographer Angela Woodhouse joins the troupe fresh from developing two commissions for the Royal Opera House. In **Endings** the dance specialist's goal is to articulate highly charged atmospheres - quiet and powerful, minimal yet intense. And with the performance she returns to the more traditional theatre environment, exploring the no-mans-land between private and public space. Performed to the theatre on Creekside's backdrop of ambient sound, Woodhouse hopes that the audience will become aware of the sound of breath and touch, movement and stillness. And on the same bill is New Zealand born classically trained dancer and choreographer Cameron McMillan, who has created work for the Royal New Zealand Ballet among other high profile dance companies.

He brings his passion for physical and resonant dance to **Blind Action** - the new piece which is set to to Cube - an ensemble percussion score performed on three-metre cubes of scaffolding, and instruments including tom-toms, hubcaps, and metal plates. Cameron takes the idea of restricted structure, and applies it to the physical development of the piece and explored related themes - stereotypes, conformity and life on display. The result is a the physical piece of dance, matched with the dynamic rhythms of the intoxicating score. Third up at the breathless shindig is Laban trained choreographer Colin Poole, known for his residencies at the Royal Opera House and The Place, who returns to work with Transitions on **...No...No**. It features a collaboration between Poole and composer Angus Finlayson, a student at Laban's sister college, Trinity College of Music.

The resulting sound score evokes mixed feelings of safety and edginess.

Similarly the choreography explores edges, the margins between sensuality and sexuality. Energetic movement combined with costume changes creates ambivalent exchanges between the performers, blurring tenderness with aggression, creating an ever shifting, unpredictable world. That's what Colin's going for, anyway.

Weds 5, Thurs 6, Fri 7 May, 7.30pm

Laban, Creekside, SE8 3DZ

[www.laban.org](http://www.laban.org)

Tickets: £12 / £8 (concessions)

Box Office: 020 8469 9500



# T WEEK

## Highlights of the week


**BBC One**
**Ashes to Ashes,**  
Friday, 16th 9pm

A serial arsonist

targets sites related to the 1983 general election, prompting Ray to risk his life in a burning building and forcing him to face his traumatic past.


**BBC Two**
**Louis Theroux: America's Medicated Kids,**  
Sunday, 18th 9pm

Louis visits one of America's leading children's psychiatric treatment centres in Pennsylvania, to discover what drives parents to put their youngsters on drugs.


**ITV1**
**The Prisoner,**  
Saturday, 17th 9.30pm

New series. A man is

held captive in a village with no memory of how he came to be there or why. Remake of the cult Sixties show, starring Jim Caviezel and Ian McKellen.

	Tuesday, 13th April	Wednesday, 14th April	Thursday, 15th April	Friday, 16th April
<div><div></div><div>BBC One</div></div>	<div><div>6.00 Breakfast.</div><div>9.15 Animal 24/7.</div><div>10.00 Homes Under the Hammer.</div><div>11.00 To Buy or Not to Buy.</div><div>11.30 Cash in the Attic.</div><div>12.15 Bargain Hunt.</div><div>1.00 BBC News; Weather.</div><div>1.30 Regional News.</div><div>1.45 Doctors.</div><div>2.15 Murder, She Wrote.</div><div>3.00 BBC News.</div><div>3.05 CBeebies.</div><div>3.30 CBBC.</div><div>5.15 Weakest Link.</div><div>6.00 BBC News.</div></div> <div><div>6.30 Regional News.</div><div>6.55 Party Election Broadcast.</div><div>7.00 The One Show.</div><div>7.30 EastEnders.</div><div>8.00 Holy City.</div><div>9.00 Drama.</div><div>10.25 Regional News.</div><div>10.45 Olympic Dreams.</div><div>11.45 <b>FILM:</b> Thunderheart (1992)</div><div>1.40 See Hear.</div><div>2.10 Priceless Antiques Roadshow.</div><div>2.40 Mastercrafts.</div><div>3.40 Bang Goes the Theory.</div><div>4.10 Great British Menu.</div><div>4.40 BBC News.</div></div>	<div><div>6.00 Breakfast.</div><div>9.15 Animal 24/7.</div><div>10.00 Homes Under the Hammer.</div><div>11.00 To Buy or Not to Buy.</div><div>11.30 Cash in the Attic.</div><div>12.15 Bargain Hunt.</div><div>1.00 BBC News; Weather.</div><div>1.30 Regional News.</div><div>1.45 Doctors.</div><div>2.15 Murder, She Wrote.</div><div>3.00 BBC News.</div><div>3.05 CBeebies.</div><div>3.30 CBBC.</div><div>5.15 Weakest Link.</div><div>6.00 BBC News.</div></div> <div><div>6.30 Regional News.</div><div>6.55 Party Election Broadcast.</div><div>7.00 The One Show.</div><div>7.30 Life of Riley.</div><div>8.00 Waterloo Road.</div><div>9.00 Traffic Cops.</div><div>10.00 BBC News.</div><div>10.25 Regional News.</div><div>10.45 National Lottery Draws.</div><div>10.55 Damages.</div><div>11.40 <b>FILM:</b> Malice (1993)</div><div>1.25 Priceless Antiques Roadshow.</div><div>1.55 Antiques Roadshow.</div><div>2.55 Country Tracks.</div><div>3.50 Empire of the Seas.</div><div>How the Navy Forged the Modern World.</div><div>4.50 BBC News.</div></div>	<div><div>6.00 Breakfast.</div><div>9.15 Animal 24/7.</div><div>10.00 Homes Under the Hammer.</div><div>11.00 To Buy or Not to Buy.</div><div>11.30 Cash in the Attic.</div><div>12.15 Bargain Hunt.</div><div>1.00 BBC News; Weather.</div><div>1.30 Regional News.</div><div>1.45 Doctors.</div><div>2.15 Murder, She Wrote.</div><div>3.00 BBC News.</div><div>3.05 CBeebies.</div><div>3.30 CBBC.</div><div>5.15 Weakest Link.</div><div>6.00 BBC News.</div></div> <div><div>6.30 Regional News.</div><div>7.00 The One Show.</div><div>With Adrian Chiles.</div><div>7.30 EastEnders.</div><div>8.00 DIY SOS: The Big Build – The Missing Link.</div><div>9.00 Have I Got News for You.</div><div>9.30 Outnumbered.</div><div>10.00 BBC News.</div><div>10.25 Regional News.</div><div>10.45 Question Time.</div><div>11.45 This Week.</div><div>12.35 Priceless Antiques Roadshow.</div><div>1.35 Countryfile.</div><div>2.15 The Great British Menu.</div><div>3.35 Panorama.</div><div>4.05 BBC News.</div></div>	<div><div>6.00 Breakfast.</div><div>9.15 Animal 24/7.</div><div>10.00 Homes Under the Hammer.</div><div>11.00 To Buy or Not to Buy.</div><div>11.30 Cash in the Attic.</div><div>12.15 Bargain Hunt.</div><div>1.00 BBC News; Weather.</div><div>1.30 Regional News.</div><div>1.45 Doctors.</div><div>2.15 Murder, She Wrote.</div><div>3.00 BBC News.</div><div>3.05 CBeebies.</div><div>3.30 CBBC.</div><div>5.15 Weakest Link.</div><div>6.00 BBC News.</div></div> <div><div>6.30 Regional News.</div><div>6.55 Party Election Broadcast.</div><div>7.00 The One Show.</div><div>7.30 A Question of Sport.</div><div>8.00 EastEnders.</div><div>11.30 Cash in the Attic.</div><div>9.00 Ases to Ashes.</div><div>10.00 BBC News.</div><div>10.25 Regional News.</div><div>10.35 Friday Night with Jonathan Ross.</div><div>11.35 The National Lottery EuroMillions Draw.</div><div>11.45 <b>FILM:</b> Runaway Train (1985)</div><div>1.35 The Final Three.</div><div>4.35 BBC News.</div></div>
<div><div></div><div>BBC Two</div></div>	<div><div>6.00 CBeebies.</div><div>7.00 CBBC.</div><div>8.30 CBeebies.</div><div>11.00 Nature's Calendar.</div><div>11.30 Daily Politics Election Special.</div><div>12.30 Working Lunch.</div><div>1.00 Castle in the Country.</div><div>1.30 Car Booty.</div><div>2.15 Animal Park.</div><div>3.00 Diagnosis Murder.</div><div>3.45 Flog It!</div><div>4.30 Pointless.</div><div>5.15 Escape to the Country.</div><div>5.55 Party Election Broadcast.</div><div>6.00 Eggheads.</div></div> <div><div>6.30 Great British Menu.</div><div>7.00 Coast.</div><div>The Solway Firth to Skye.</div><div>8.00 Grow Your Own Drugs.</div><div>The medicinal properties of petals.</div><div>8.30 The Delicious Miss Dahl.</div><div>9.00 Great Ormond Street.</div><div>The work of two intensive care consultants.</div><div>10.00 Later Live – with Jools Holland.</div><div>10.30 Newsnight.</div><div>11.20 Mad Men.</div><div>12.10 BBC News.</div><div>4.00 BBC Learning Zone.</div></div>	<div><div>6.00 CBeebies.</div><div>7.00 CBBC.</div><div>8.30 CBeebies.</div><div>11.00 Nature's Calendar.</div><div>11.30 Daily Politics Election Special.</div><div>12.30 Working Lunch.</div><div>1.00 Car Booty.</div><div>1.30 See Hear.</div><div>2.00 Animal Park.</div><div>3.00 Diagnosis Murder.</div><div>3.45 Flog It!</div><div>4.30 Pointless.</div><div>5.15 Escape to the Country.</div><div>5.55 Party Election Broadcast.</div><div>6.00 Eggheads.</div></div> <div><div>6.30 Great British Menu.</div><div>7.00 Electric Dreams.</div><div>New series.</div><div>A family lives for 10 days using only Seventies technology.</div><div>8.00 The Edible Garden.</div><div>Growing salad ingredients.</div><div>8.30 Cracking Antiques.</div><div>9.00 Who Needs Fathers.</div><div>The effect of growing up without a father.</div><div>Last in the series.</div><div>10.00 QI.</div><div>10.30 Newsnight.</div><div>11.20 The British Family.</div><div>12.20 BBC News.</div><div>4.00 BBC Learning Zone.</div></div>	<div><div>6.00 CBeebies.</div><div>7.00 CBBC.</div><div>8.30 CBeebies.</div><div>11.00 Nature's Calendar.</div><div>11.30 Daily Politics Election Special.</div><div>12.30 Working Lunch.</div><div>1.00 Castle in the Country.</div><div>1.30 Car Booty.</div><div>2.15 Animal Park.</div><div>3.00 Diagnosis Murder.</div><div>3.45 Flog It!</div><div>4.30 Pointless.</div><div>5.15 Escape to the Country.</div><div>6.00 Eggheads.</div></div> <div><div>6.30 Great British Menu.</div><div>7.00 Electric Dreams.</div><div>The family is given access to gadgets from the 1980s.</div><div>8.00 Museum of Life.</div><div>Exploring the world of insects.</div><div>9.00 Welcome to Lagos.</div><div>10.00 Never Mind the Buzzcocks.</div><div>With guest captain Johnny Vegas.</div><div>10.30 The Prime Ministerial Debates.</div><div>A Newsnight Special.</div><div>11.35 The British Family.</div><div>12.35 BBC News.</div><div>5.35 Close.</div><div>4.00 BBC Learning Zone.</div></div>	<div><div>6.00 CBeebies.</div><div>7.00 CBBC.</div><div>8.30 CBeebies.</div><div>11.00 Nature's Calendar.</div><div>11.30 Daily Politics Election Special.</div><div>12.30 Working Lunch.</div><div>1.00 Castle in the Country.</div><div>1.30 Car Booty.</div><div>2.15 Animal Park.</div><div>3.00 Diagnosis Murder.</div><div>3.45 Pointless.</div><div>5.15 Escape to the Country.</div><div>5.55 Party Election Broadcast.</div><div>6.00 Eggheads.</div><div>4.00 Great British Menu.</div></div> <div><div>7.00 Electric Dreams.</div><div>8.00 Mastermind.</div><div>8.30 Gardeners' World.</div><div>9.00 Indian Hill Railways.</div><div>10.00 Frank Skinner's Opinionated.</div><div>10.30 Newsnight.</div><div>11.00 The Review Show.</div><div>11.45 Later with Jools Holland.</div><div>12.50 <b>FILM:</b> Ginger Snaps Unleashed (2004)</div><div>Horror sequel, starring Emily Perkins and Katharine Isabelle.</div><div>2.20 BBC News.</div><div>4.35 Close.</div></div>
<div><div></div><div>ITV1</div></div>	<div><div>6.00 GMTV.</div><div>9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show.</div><div>10.30 This Morning.</div><div>12.30 Loose Women.</div><div>1.30 ITV News; Weather.</div><div>1.55 London News.</div><div>2.00 60 Minute Makeover.</div><div>3.00 Daily Cooks Challenge.</div><div>4.00 Dickinson's Real Deal.</div><div>5.00 Divided.</div><div>6.00 London Tonight.</div><div>6.25 Party Election Broadcast.</div><div>6.30 ITV News; Weather.</div><div>7.00 Emmerdale.</div><div>7.30 Tonight: Spotlight on the Leaders – Nick Clegg.</div></div> <div><div>8.00 Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?</div><div>Celebrity Special.</div><div>9.00 The Bill.</div><div>10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather.</div><div>10.30 London News.</div><div>10.45 Marina Coste's Lady Killers.</div><div>11.35 River Monsters.</div><div>12.30 Nightwatch with Steve Scott.</div><div>Mystery.</div><div>1.25 Loose Women.</div><div>2.10 The Jeremy Kyle Show.</div><div>3.05 Tonight: Spotlight on the Leaders – Nick Clegg.</div><div>3.30 Tonight: Spotlight on the Leaders – Nick Clegg.</div><div>5.30 ITV Morning News.</div></div>	<div><div>6.00 GMTV.</div><div>9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show.</div><div>10.30 This Morning.</div><div>12.30 Loose Women.</div><div>1.30 ITV News; Weather.</div><div>1.55 London News.</div><div>2.00 <b>FILM:</b> Lorenzo's Oil (1992)</div><div>Fact-based drama, starring Susan Sarandon and Nick Nolte.</div><div>1.00 Traffic.</div><div>2.40 Loose Women.</div><div>3.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show.</div><div>4.20 Tonight: Spotlight on the Leaders – Gordon Brown.</div><div>4.45 ITV Nightscreen.</div><div>5.30 ITV Morning News.</div></div> <div><div>8.00 Midsomer Murders.</div><div>Barnaby investigates the murder of a local councillor.</div><div>10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather.</div><div>10.30 London News.</div><div>10.40 <b>FILM:</b> Lorenzo's Oil (1992)</div><div>Fact-based drama, starring Susan Sarandon and Nick Nolte.</div><div>1.00 Traffic.</div><div>2.40 Loose Women.</div><div>3.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show.</div><div>4.20 Tonight: Spotlight on the Leaders – Gordon Brown.</div><div>4.45 ITV Nightscreen.</div><div>5.30 ITV Morning News.</div></div>	<div><div>6.00 GMTV.</div><div>9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show.</div><div>10.30 This Morning.</div><div>12.30 Loose Women.</div><div>1.30 ITV News; Weather.</div><div>1.55 London News.</div><div>2.00 60 Minute Makeover.</div><div>3.00 Daily Cooks Challenge.</div><div>4.00 Dickinson's Real Deal.</div><div>5.00 Divided.</div><div>6.00 London Tonight.</div><div>6.30 ITV News; Weather.</div><div>7.00 Emmerdale.</div><div>Hour-long episode.</div><div>Cain puts a stop to the car scam after a near-miss.</div></div> <div><div>8.00 Coronation Street.</div><div>The First Election Debate.</div><div>With Gordon Brown, David Cameron and Nick Clegg.</div><div>10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather.</div><div>11.35 The Late Debate.</div><div>11.55 In Plain Sight.</div><div>12.50 Nightwatch with Steve Scott.</div><div>Emergency.</div><div>1.40 Loose Women.</div><div>2.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show.</div><div>3.25 ITV Nightscreen.</div><div>5.30 ITV Morning News.</div></div>	<div><div>6.00 GMTV.</div><div>9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show.</div><div>10.30 This Morning.</div><div>12.30 Loose Women.</div><div>1.30 ITV News; Weather.</div><div>1.55 London News.</div><div>2.00 60 Minute Makeover.</div><div>3.00 Daily Cooks Challenge.</div><div>4.00 Dickinson's Real Deal.</div><div>5.00 Divided.</div><div>6.00 London Tonight.</div><div>6.25 Party Election Broadcast.</div><div>6.30 ITV News; Weather.</div><div>7.00 Emmerdale.</div><div>7.30 Tonight: Spotlight on the Leaders – Nick Clegg.</div><div>8.00 Dickinson's Real Deal.</div></div> <div><div>8.30 Coronation Street.</div><div>Kevin demands Molly has an abortion.</div><div>9.00 Marco's Kitchen Burnout.</div><div>10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather.</div><div>10.30 London News.</div><div>10.45 The Metal Jacket (1979)</div><div>Vietnam War drama, starring Matthew Modine.</div><div>12.50 <b>FILM:</b> Cheyenne Autumn (1964)</div><div>John Ford's Western, with Richard Widmark and James Stewart.</div><div>3.20 ITV Nightscreen.</div><div>5.30 ITV Morning News.</div></div>
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Grace.</div><div>9.55 Friends.</div><div>11.00 Koko Pop.</div><div>11.30 Friends.</div><div>12.00 Channel 4 News Summary.</div><div>12.05 It's Me or the Dog.</div><div>12.35 Ruth Watson's Hotel Rescue.</div><div>1.35 <b>FILM:</b> The Bravados (1958)</div><div>3.25 Countdown.</div><div>4.10 Deal or No Deal.</div><div>5.00 Coach Trip.</div><div>5.30 Come Dine with Me Extra Portions.</div><div>6.00 The Simpsons.</div></div> <div><div>6.30 Hollyoaks.</div><div>7.00 Channel 4 News.</div><div>7.55 Party Election Broadcast.</div><div>8.00 Relocation.</div><div>9.00 Jamie Does - Marrakech.</div><div>10.00 Desperate Housewives.</div><div>11.00 Lee Mack Live.</div><div>12.00 Shameless.</div><div>1.05 Music on 4: The Album Chart Show.</div><div>1.20 Music on 4: Mercury Prize Sessions.</div><div>1.35 Music on 4: This Week's Music Top 20.</div><div>3.15 The War at Home.</div><div>3.45 St Elsewhere.</div><div>4.30 Year Dot Television.</div><div>5.00 Countdown.</div><div>5.45 Yo Gabba Gabba.</div></div>	<div><div>6.10 The Hoobs.</div><div>7.00 Freshly Squeezed.</div><div>7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond.</div><div>8.25 Frasier.</div><div>8.55 Coach Trip.</div><div>9.25 Will &amp; 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**Cowboy Builders,**  
Tuesday, 13th 8pm

New series. Melinda Messenger and Dominic Littlewood visit a Sheffield family left with an empty home and thousands of pounds worth of debt.

**Film of the Week**  
**Full Metal Jacket,**  
Friday, 16th 10.35pm

A platoon of Marines undergoes harsh training under a domineering drill sergeant before its first clash with enemy forces. Vietnam War drama, with Matthew Modine.

**Saturday, 17th April**

**6.00** Formula 1: The Chinese Grand Prix – Qualifying. From the Shanghai International Circuit.  
**8.30** Breakfast.  
**10.00** Saturday Kitchen.  
**11.30** Great British Menu.  
**12.00** BBC News and Weather.  
**12.15** Football Focus.  
**1.00** Formula 1: The Chinese Grand Prix – Qualifying.  
**2.15** Live Challenge Cup Rugby League. Hull FC v Leeds Rhinos (Kick-off 2.30pm).  
**4.30** Final Score.  
**5.10** BBC News and Weather.

**Sunday, 18th April**

**6.00** Breakfast.  
**7.00** Formula 1: The Chinese Grand Prix Live. From the Shanghai International Circuit (Start-time 8.00am).  
**10.15** The Andrew Marr Show.  
**11.15** The Big Questions.  
**12.15** The Politics Show.  
**1.30** EastEnders.  
**2.55** Formula 1: The Chinese Grand Prix.  
**4.45** Points of View.  
**5.00** Lifeline.  
**5.10** Songs of Praise.  
**5.50** BBC News and Weather.  
**6.15** Over the Rainbow.

**Monday, 19th April**

**6.00** Breakfast.  
**9.15** Food Fighters.  
**10.00** Homes Under the Hammer.  
**11.00** To Buy or Not to Buy.  
**11.30** Cash in the Attic.  
**12.15** Bargain Hunt.  
**1.00** BBC News; Weather.  
**1.30** Regional News.  
**1.45** Doctors.  
**2.15** Escape to the Country.  
**3.00** BBC News.  
**3.05** CBeebies.  
**3.30** CBBC.  
**5.15** Weakest Link.  
**6.00** BBC News.

**6.00** CBeebies.  
**7.00** CBBC.  
**12.00** Degassi: The Next Generation.  
**12.25** The Cut.  
**1.05** The 5:19 Show.  
**1.25** Revealed.  
**1.40** The Well.  
**2.00** Animal Park.  
**2.30** Live Snooker: The World Championship.  
**5.00** Match of the Day Live.  
**7.15** Live Snooker: The World Championship. John Higgins v Barry Hawkins.  
**7.50** Newsnight.

**6.00** CBeebies.  
**7.00** CBBC.  
**8.35** Match of the Day.  
**10.00** Something for the Weekend.  
**11.30** Escape to the Country.  
**12.15** Monk.  
**1.00** EastEnders.  
**1.30** Live Challenge Cup Rugby League. Huddersfield Giants v Hull Kingston Rovers (Kick-off 1.45pm).  
**3.45** Live Snooker: The World Championship. Mark Selby v Ken Doherty and Allister Carter v Jamie Cope.

**6.00** CBeebies.  
**7.00** CBBC.  
**8.30** CBeebies.  
**11.00** Nature's Calendar.  
**11.30** Daily Politics Election Special.  
**12.30** Working Lunch.  
**1.00** Live Snooker: The World Championship. Marco Fu v Martin Gould and Mark Williams v Marcus Campbell.  
**2.15** Daily Politics Election Debates.  
**3.00** Live Snooker: The World Championship.  
**5.55** Party Election Broadcast.

**6.00** GMTV.  
**9.25** The Planet's Funniest Animals.  
**9.55** The Crocodile Hunter Diaries.  
**10.25** The Lakes.  
**10.55** Dickinson's Real Deal.  
**11.55** News; Weather.  
**12.10** This Morning; Saturday.  
**1.10** Midsomer Murders.  
**3.15** **FILM:** Sci-fi comedy adventure, starring Michael J Fox.  
**5.30** London Tonight.  
**5.45** ITV News; Weather.

**6.00** GMTV.  
**9.25** Coronation Street.  
**12.10** News; Weather.  
**12.15** This Morning; Sunday.  
**1.15** **FILM:** Columbo: Short Fuse [1972] Detective drama, guest starring Roddy McDowall.  
**2.45** Britain's Got Talent.  
**4.15** **FILM:** Runaway Bride [1999] Romantic comedy, with Julia Roberts and Richard Gere.  
**6.30** London Tonight.  
**6.45** ITV News; Weather.  
**7.00** Survival with Ray Mears.

**6.00** GMTV.  
**9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show.  
**10.30** This Morning.  
**12.30** Loose Women.  
**1.30** ITV News; Weather.  
**1.55** London News.  
**2.00** 60 Minute Makeover.  
**3.00** Daily Cooks Challenge.  
**4.00** Dickinson's Real Deal.  
**5.00** Divided.  
**6.00** London Tonight.  
**6.25** Party Election Broadcast.  
**6.30** ITV News; Weather.  
**7.00** Emmerdale.  
**7.30** Coronation Street.  
**8.00** Countrywise.

**6.10** Sali Mali. **6.15** The Hoobs. **7.05** World Sport. **7.30** Road to the 2010 FIFA World Cup. **8.00** The Morning Line. **8.55** Friends. **9.55** 90210. **10.50** Peter Andre's Top 10 Pop Heroes. **11.55** Album Chart Show.  
**12.25** Koko Pop.  
**1.00** Smallville.  
**1.55** Channel 4 Racing from Newbury and Ayr.  
**3.55** Come Dine with Me.  
**6.30** Channel 4 News. **7.00** Party Election Broadcast. **7.05** Bear Grylls: Mission Everest.

**6.00** The Treacle People. **6.10** The Hoobs. **7.00** British Formula 3 International Series. **7.30** World Superbike Championship. **7.55** The Grid. **8.20** GT Academy. **8.50** The Hills. **9.20** Friends. **9.55** Hollyoaks.  
**12.25** Running in Heels.  
**12.55** Friends.  
**1.25** **FILM:** Batman and Robin [1997] Comic-book adventure, starring George Clooney.  
**3.45** The Simpsons.  
**4.45** Deal or No Deal.

**6.00** The Treacle People. **6.10** The Hoobs. **7.00** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. **8.25** Frasier. **9.25** Coach Trip. **9.55** Deal or No Deal. **10.40** Will & Grace. **11.05** Wife Swap USA. **12.00** Summary. **12.05** The TV Book Club. **12.35** Proud Parents. **12.45** Ruth Watson's Hotel Rescue. **1.50** **FILM:** The Guns of Fort Petticoat [1957]. **3.25** Countdown. **4.10** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Coach Trip. **5.30** Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. **6.00** The Simpsons.

**6.00** Sunrise.  
**7.00** Milkshake!  
**10.00** Laureus World Sports Awards 2010.  
**11.00** Red Bull Air Race.  
**12.00** The Gadget Show.  
**1.00** Zoo Days.  
**1.10** Chinese Food in Minutes.  
**1.40** **FILM:** The Second Jungle Book: Mowgli and Baloo [1997] Adventure sequel, starring James Williams.  
**3.20** Five News.  
**3.30** **FILM:** Every Time We Say Goodbye [1986] Romantic drama, starring Tom Hanks.

**5.25** **FILM:** Major Dundee [1961].  
**7.35** NCIS.  
**8.30** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation.  
**9.30** CSI: NY.  
**10.30** Law & Order.  
**11.30** Cops in Crisis.  
**12.00** SuperCasino.  
**4.05** HouseBusters.  
**4.30** House Doctor.  
**4.55** The Family Recipe.  
**5.00** Hans & Helpline.  
**5.10** The Milkshake! Show.  
**5.35** Thomas & Friends.  
**5.45** Roary the Racing Car.

**6.25** Five News.  
**6.30** **FILM:** The Legend of Zorro [2005] Swashbuckling adventure sequel, starring Antonio Banderas.  
**9.00** **FILM:** Lara Croft: Tomb Raider – The Cradle of Life [2003]. **11.15** Justin Lee Collins: Good Times. **12.15** The Gadget Show. **1.15** SuperCasino. **4.05** House Doctor. **4.55** **FILM:** Search and Rescue [1994] Family adventure, starring Robert Conrad.  
**5.00** Five News.

**5.30** Neighbours.  
**6.00** Home and Away.  
**6.25** Live from Studio Five.  
**7.25** Party Election Broadcast.  
**7.30** How Do They Do It? [1996].  
**8.00** The Gadget Show.  
**9.00** FlashForward.  
**10.00** Justin Lee Collins: Good Times.  
**11.00** **FILM:** The Cable Guy [1996].  
**12.45** SuperCasino.  
**4.05** House Doctor.  
**4.55** Animal Rescue Squad.  
**5.10** Neighbours.  
**5.35** Home and Away.

## Digital & Cable

### Tuesday

**Great Movie Mistakes,** BBC3, 9.50pm  
Robert Webb presents an irreverent rundown of some of the blunders and gaffes that have appeared in Hollywood films over the years, including cameramen caught in shot, shoddy props, wobbly scenery, and spelling mistakes that would shame children.



### Wednesday

**Bones,** Sky1, 8pm  
The detectives spend the festive season investigating the murder of a department store Santa, but the case becomes complicated when the clues suggest the victim is the real Father Christmas. Meanwhile, Brennan and Booth have to deal with difficult family issues.

### Thursday

**Will Mellor's Parent Trip,** ITV2, 9pm  
Two Pints of Lager star Will Mellor and his father Bill travel through the rainforests of northern Borneo to live with the Murut tribe. They must deal with humidity and insects on their journey as they camp under the stars, meet endangered orang-utans and learn to hunt with their hosts.

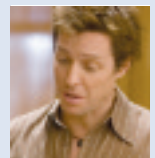


### Friday

**Knowing,** Sky Movies Premiere, 10am  
Premiere. Astrophysicist John Koestler decodes a page of numbers revealing the dates of past and future global disasters. As he races to avert a succession of catastrophes, John realises the numbers point towards a final apocalypse. Mystery thriller, starring Nicolas Cage.

### Saturday

**Music and Lyrics,** ITV2, 11.15pm  
Washed-up pop idol Alex Fletcher is given the chance to write a song for a teenage sensation. Despite his musical talents, Alex's chance of success seems doomed by the fact that he has never written a lyric in his life. Romantic comedy, starring Hugh Grant and Drew Barrymore.



### Sunday

**Live Super Sunday,** Sky Sports 1, 1pm  
Wigan Athletic v Arsenal (Kick-off 1.30pm). The first of today's Premier League double bill comes from the DW Stadium, as the struggling Latics entertain the title contenders. Roberto Martinez's men have been arguably the most inconsistent team in the league this season.

### Monday

**Fantastic Four,** Film4, 9.00pm  
A scientist and four members of his crew develop superhuman powers after exposure to cosmic radiation on a mission to study an energy storm in space. Sci-fi comic-book adventure, starring Lou Gruffudd, Jessica Alba, Chris Evans, Michael Chiklis and Julian McMahon.



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## FINAL SCENE

## Gorillaz in the midst

The cartoon band's third offering is their best yet, and with more cameos than ever



PERHAPS in years to come Damon Albarn will get the credit he deserves.

Because right now he doesn't. Granted, he's a multi-millionaire, sold gazillions of records across numerous musical incarnations and had a career spanning 20 years and as many genres. But somehow he's never been spoken about in the same breath as Britain's other musical treasures. And why is that? He's been as experimental as Bowie, more prolific than Lennon and has been getting one over on Oasis since 1997. He's even done an opera (*Monkey Journey To The West*) and spearheaded the most forward thinking music in recent history by creating the virtual band. Perhaps it was his ill advised – if short lived – foray into mockney lad-dom that he has never been able to shake. Or is it simply that he hasn't had a self-destructive, drug-addled mentality to make the media hold him aloft as a tortured genius?

**Plastic Beach** is the third offering from Albarn's cartoon creation **Gorillaz**, and continues the theme of high profile collaborations. This time he's roped in Snoop Dogg, Mos Def, De La Soul and half of the Clash to name but a few. While Snoop's contribution strays little from his own lackadaisical output, De La Soul's cameo on *Superfast Jellyfish* is more than a match



for lead single, *Stylo*, the first of two offerings from Bobby Womack – apparently saved from a diabetic coma by a banana in a bizarre footnote to the recording, and rapper Mos Def. *Empire Ants* is all about Albarn's vocal, channelling one of his most heartfelt deliveries which recalls 13 era Blur and No Distance Left To Run, before the building into a widescreen duel with Swedish electro outfit Little Dragon. Production is flawless across the board, summoning all the best elements of 1980s studio work (synths/drum machines), whilst discarding

the horrible reverbs and crass drum sounds that we'd all like to scour from the memory of the decade. Fall oddball and Mancunian eccentric Mark E. Smith makes an appearance on *Glitter Freeze*, which in truth it's not one of the album's high points, but his – albeit brief – monotone delivery set against staccato beats is a signpost to what he might produce should he choose to ditch his band. Again. Largely an album free of conventional instruments, **PB** does suffer from stylistic inflexibility on Lou Reed's star turn, *Some Kind Of*

*Nature*, where the processed drums grate against soulful voice and piano intro, and would surely have sat in the mix more comfortably with a live sticksman behind the kit. With all the high profile egos on the record, it's ironic then that two of the albums most affecting tracks feature Albarn without the help of his famous friends. *Melancholy Hill* has the wistful music and vocal deserving of its title, and even the A'Ha style piano tinkling becomes integral to one of **PB**'s standout songs. *Broken* follows, bookending the two songs as part one and two of the same act. Mos Def's second offering *Sweepstakes* is a little weak – more a big band interlude with some bleeping noises over the top, but the album is pulled out of its mini-malaise by half of the Clash on title track, *Plastic Beach*.

Messrs Simonon and Jones succeed in gelling old and new sublimely, and *To Bing* is also strong. Little Dragon's second offering blending and bending genres – twangy 50s guitars against a plinky top line. Albarn saves the best til last and in doing so rejuvenates the long limelight-less Bobby Womack on *Cloud Of Unknowing*, before the heavy hitting outro *Pirate Jet* that recalls some of the Blur man's circus interludes from the 90s. As for the ringleader himself, he never went away, and just seems to get better with age.

Rod Kitson

*Plastic Beach* is out now

## Nanny McPhee 2

## McRubbish!



"FIVE out of 10 – it was too cheesy", said my 10-year-old daughter. Only five people saw this disjointed and totally

contrived sequel to the rather good, first **Nanny McPhee**, but they would probably agree. Sequels are rarely a good idea and this **Nanny McPhee** is no exception.

The plot, such as it is, centres on Mrs Green (Maggie Gyllenhaal) whose delicately balanced life managing three young children, a full time job in the local grocery shop and a farm (her husband – a brief cameo from Ewan McGregor) is tipped into chaos and confusion by the arrival of her sister's two spoilt children, down from London to avoid the WW2 bombs. Enter Nanny McPhee (Emma Thompson) uninvited, but bizarrely welcomed, to bring order to the household with her simple philosophy of discipline, kindness and of course, magic. On one level, the movie entertains with its visually pleasing combinations of acrobatic and synchronised-swimming piglets, house-trained baby elephants and



ON HER BIKE: Thompson as no-fun-nan

motorbikes which take mysteriously to the skies. However, less successful are the unexploded bombs, burping crows and bumbling uncle forever scheming to raise money. The characters fail to develop or solicit empathy of any sort from the children themselves, which is in stark contrast from the original film, and Nanny's role is sadly reduced to little more than banging her magic stick and occasionally raising an eyebrow a la Roger Moore. The acting is nevertheless, partly redeemed by a trio of cameos: Maggie Smith as the forgetful and confused Mrs Doherty, either buried in flour or pouring treacle into wooden draws; piglet purchaser Bill Bailey as the somewhat eccentric Farmer MacReadie, and by an outstanding Ralph Fiennes as Lord Gray, Army Chief of Staff, struggling to keep his emotions in check as his young son appeals to his father's hitherto absent humanity. Successful family films tend to fall into two broad categories: A) Warm, tender but well constructed, feel-good movies like *Racing Stripes* and *Beethoven* or, B) Imaginative, intelligent tales that manage to work on two levels with a storyline for children and a social commentary for adults like *Toy Story* and *Finding Nemo*. **NMcATBB** ends up in neither. **Verdict:** Critical acclaim has been forthcoming from the *News of the World* to the *Independent*, but this critic would beg to differ. The storyline is thin – an inauspicious debut for Emma Thompson's pen wielding alter ego; the characterisation is under-developed, and the acting is modest at best. Under-7s will enjoy, but for adults, pigs still don't fly. 4/10

Dick Morgan

## A date (movie) with destiny



IF you are thinking of going out for a date movie, this has gotta be it.

Starring two of the hottest properties in US television comedy, Steve Carell (*The Office*) and Tina Fey (writer of *Mean Girls*) with a brilliant supporting cast including Mark Wahlberg as a buff black ops agent, and Ray Liotta as (what else?) a menacing Mafia boss. *Date Night* is surely a Rom-Com with attitude. The film follows Carell and Fey as a Ho Hum suburban couple trying to keep the pilot light of their marriage burning – however faintly – with the occasional night out. During a special evening at a bling Manhattan restaurant a simple case



ODD COUPLE: Steve Carell (left) and Tina Fey star in *Date Night*

of mistaken identity soon turns the evening into a darkly comic thriller of a night in New York, chased by hoods and given a chance to see their partners for what they really are. There is a touch of North By Northwest in what follows and a little of the Out of Towners too, but this is a great all action entertainment caper lifted by exquisite comic performances by the talented Carell and Fey. It's a date movie, a chick movie and an action movie all rolled into one.

Martin McHugh

Cert: 15

*Date Night* opens at the Odeon Greenwich on April 21

## WIN! CINEMA TICKETS

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Interview date: 7 May 2010.



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## Walk to work to keep fit

COMMUTERS are urged to walk their way to a healthier lifestyle starting with Walk to Work Week later this month.

The week from April 26-30 has been organised by the charity Living Streets and is designed to encourage workers to get fit by walking to and from or during work. The charity is offering advice and tips

to individual employees, organisations and businesses to help them devise walking challenges, track their progress and monitor the benefits.

• Register to take part at [www.walkingworks.org.uk/walk-to-work-week](http://www.walkingworks.org.uk/walk-to-work-week)  
Further information from [www.walkingworks.org.uk](http://www.walkingworks.org.uk) or call Living Streets on 020-7820 1010.

The initiative is supported by Greenwich Council, which is offering free pedometers to the first 200 Greenwich employees to register on the Living Streets website (excluding council employees). Businesses can also contact [greener@greenwich.gov.uk](mailto:greener@greenwich.gov.uk) to claim free promotional posters.

## New surgery open daily

A NEW health centre in Thamesmead will provide healthcare services from 8am - 8pm, every day of the year.

The new Thamesmead NHS Medical Centre opens in units 4 and 5 Battery Road, Thamesmead, on Thursday, April 29.

It will offer 'an easy to access service' with unrestricted access. It

means patients do not have to live locally or even be registered to book an appointment.

The GP-led surgery will be run by NHS Greenwich and Evolution Health which opened the Shooters Hill Medical centre in December.

David Sturgeon, executive director of Primary and Community

transformation at NHS Greenwich, said: "The Thamesmead NHS Health Centre will develop additional health services over the next few years, bringing, safer, better quality services closer to people's homes".

• For further details on the health services on offer call the new surgery on 020 8319 5880.

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1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Greenwich Borough Council (hereinafter referred to as "the Council") on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2010 made the above-mentioned Orders under sections 6, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended. The Orders will come into operation on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2010.
2. The Council will be revising the layout of existing bus stops, and parking and loading bays in **Wellington Street**. These changes are intended as an interim arrangement to facilitate the construction works associated with the development of the new Civic Centre and will be reviewed upon completion of the development.
3. The general effect of the Orders will be:
- on the north-west side, to:
    - provide an additional metered parking bay outside No. 50 to Bill Walden House, Wellington Street;
    - provide three new metered parking bays outside Woolwich Town Hall (either side of the existing disabled parking place which will not be removed); and
    - provide three additional metered parking bays outside Nos. 12 to 22 (the bus stop outside Nos. 10 to 22 Wellington Street will be removed); and
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    - replace four metered parking bays from outside Robert House and James House, Wellington Street with a 25-metre bus stop (the bus stop on the south-east side opposite Nos. 24 to 32 Wellington Street will be removed);
    - remove nine metered parking bays from outside the Civic Centre development;
    - extend the existing loading bay opposite Woolwich Town Hall by 93 metres; and
    - provide two additional metered parking bays outside Nos. 11 to 15 Wellington Street.
4. In addition, the bus stop outside Bill Walden House, Wellington Street will be shifted approximately 3 metres south-westward.
5. The Orders and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until the end of six weeks from the date on which the Orders were made at the Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills, Strategic Transportation, Greenwich Council, Crown Building, 48 Woolwich New Road, SE18 6HQ.
6. If any person wishes to question the validity of the Orders or of any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that they are not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or that any requirement of that Act or of any instrument made under that Act has not been complied with, that person may, within six weeks from the date on which the Orders were made, apply for that purpose to the High Court.

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**Date: 14/04/2010**

Steve Fuller - Chief Planning Officer

**Publicity For Planning Applications**

<b>Applicant:</b>	<b>Mrs &amp; Prof. Palmer</b>	<b>09/2525/F</b>
<b>14 BEECHCROFT COURT, LISKEARD GARDENS, KIDBROOKE, LONDON, SE3 0PJ</b>		
<b>Development:</b>	Installation of 3 replacement apic windows.	
<b>Drawing Numbers:</b>	Allocated Drawing Numbers 001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 010, 011, Letter dated 31/7/2009, Letter dated 25/9/2009, Photographs, Site Location Plan and Design and Access Statement.	
<b>Library:</b>	East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road SE18 0RL	
<b>Conservation Area:</b>	BLACKHEATH	
<b>Applicant:</b>	<b>Ms DAUD</b>	<b>10/0336/F</b>
<b>53A DEVONSHIRE DRIVE, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8JZ</b>		
<b>Development:</b>	Construction of a timber garden outbuilding.	
<b>Drawing Numbers:</b>	Allocated Drawing Number: 081, Site Location Plan x2 (1:1250, 1:500), Design and Access Statement.	
<b>Library:</b>	West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE18 6BN	
<b>Conservation Area:</b>	ASHBURNHAM TRIANGLE	
<b>Applicant:</b>	<b>Spacia Limited</b>	<b>10/0689/F</b>
<b>114 HERVEY ROAD, KIDBROOKE, LONDON, SE3 8BX</b>		
<b>Development:</b>	Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of part 1/ part 2 storey building comprising 1 x 2-bed house and 1 x 3-bed house and associated refuse storage, 1 integral garage and 1 car space.	
<b>Drawing Numbers:</b>	Design and Access Statement including Drawing Nos. LP-001, (Site Plan), LP-005 rev A, LP-001, 0010, LE-001, 002, 003, 004, 005, LS-002, LE001-001, 002, 003, (3D) 001 and Internal Daylight Report.	
<b>Library:</b>	East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road, London, SE10 0RL	
<b>Conservation Area:</b>	adjacent to Sea In The Sands	
<b>Applicant:</b>	<b>Mr Stephen Whitefield</b>	<b>10/0808/F</b>
<b>103A ROYAL HILL, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8SS</b>		
<b>Development:</b>	Extension to single storey rear addition comprising installation of new mono-pitch roof.	
<b>Drawing Numbers:</b>	103/1, 103/2, 103/3, Design and Access Statement and letter dated 18 February 2010	
<b>Library:</b>	West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE18 6BN	
<b>Conservation Area:</b>	WEST GREENWICH	
<b>Applicant:</b>	<b>Signs Plus Ltd</b>	<b>10/0538/A</b>
<b>CHRISTCHURCH FORUM, TRAFALGAR ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9EQ</b>		
<b>Development:</b>	Installation of 3 non-illuminated projecting banners.	
<b>Drawing Numbers:</b>	LSQ/T/P001 (small), LSQ/T/P002 (large), TFG/P002 before, TFG/P002, and Site Location Plan.	
<b>Library:</b>	East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road SE18 0RL	
<b>Conservation Area:</b>	EAST GREENWICH	



**LONDON BOROUGH OF GREENWICH  
AND NEWHAM**  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14  
WOOLWICH FOOT TUNNEL - TEMPORARY  
FOOTPATH CLOSURE

- NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Greenwich Borough Council, with the consent of the London Borough of Newham, intends to make an Order to facilitate tunnel refurbishment works in the Woolwich Foot Tunnel. The effect of the Order would be to temporarily prohibit pedestrians from entering into or proceeding in the Woolwich Foot Tunnel during the hours between 7.00 a.m. and 8.00 p.m. on Mondays to Fridays inclusive.
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**LONDON BOROUGH OF GREENWICH  
AND TOWER HAMLETS**  
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GREENWICH FOOT TUNNEL - TEMPORARY  
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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14  
JOHN PENN STREET AND LEVISHAM ROAD -  
TEMPORARY BANNED TURN AND  
WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS

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  - prohibit vehicles from waiting (including waiting for the purposes of loading and unloading) in Levisham Road between Blackheath Road / Blackheath Hill and Sparta Street.
- The above restrictions would only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs. Vehicular access to properties affected by these works would be maintained wherever possible subject to the extent and operations of the works.
- Alternative routes, where applicable, are available via local roads.
- The Order would come into force on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2010 and would continue in force for up to 18 months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. However, it is expected that the works would take approximately one day to complete.
- Queries concerning these works should be directed to Greenwich Council's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 6340.

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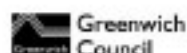


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CHARLTON LANE - TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

- NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Greenwich Borough Council has made an Order to facilitate railway maintenance works. The effect of the Order will be to temporarily prohibit vehicles from entering, waiting or parking in Charlton Lane (between Woolwich Road and Pound Park Road).
- The above restrictions will only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs. Vehicular access to properties in the affected length of road will be maintained wherever possible subject to the extent and operations of the works.
- Whilst the road closure is in operation vehicular traffic will be diverted via Woolwich Road, Charlton Church Lane, Floyd Road and Harvey Gardens before rejoining Charlton Lane, and vice versa.
- The Order will come into force on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2010 and will continue in force for up to 18 months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. However, it is expected that the works will take approximately 3 days to complete.
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# SPORT

## Bailey suffers most as Addicks slump

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not to mention firepower.

He made his presence felt as early as the ninth minute, leaping high to meet Frazer Richardson's fine cross. Twisting in midair, Davis brilliantly conjured the firm header over the bar. Much later in the half, Bailey shook off his marker, moved intelligently to the near post and bulletted Gary Borrowdale's inswinging corner on target. Davis again reacted with impressive agility to turn the header behind.

Sandwiched between Bailey's efforts, the hosts grabbed the goal they needed for victory. Preferred to prolific marksman Lee Barnard as support for Saints' lethal strike duo of Rickie Lambert and Adam Lallana, attacking right-sided midfielder Michail Antonio rose to the occasion. He made no mistake when Jason Puncheon neatly sidefotted Lambert's headed pass into his stride, closing the distance smartly before hammering a rising right-footed drive past Darren Randolph.

Again tweaking his resources, Phil Parkinson had elected to



counter Southampton's offensive threat with a five-man midfield, along the flanks of which speedy wide men Kyle Reid and Lloyd Sam were expected to supply lone striker Nicky Forster. Both Reid and Sam were ineffective, the latter's sole contribution a goalline clearance to deny

Lambert after Puncheon's short corner was crossed by Lallana. An otherwise expendable player defending the line at setpieces - it's funny how the best ideas are so simple.

Forster struggled manfully, his solitary chance self-created but dealt with competently by

Davis. Bailey also had a shot left in his locker; Davis yet again had the answer to it.

Picked out by persistent Jose Semedo to the left of goal, the skipper swivelled to shoot venomously but Davis parried bravely. The gutsy keeper should have conceded in the last minute but substitute

**SHOVE OFF:** Charlton's Nicky Forster is kept at bay by a Saints defender at St Mary's

David Mooney somehow screwed his shot comically sideways to a startled Bailey and there was to be no late salvation for visitors who simply have nobody to stick the ball regularly enough in the net.

More ominous news awaited Charlton at the final whistle. Colchester had only gone and mullered Swindon 3-0 and will arrive at The Valley this evening, breathing fire just six points behind the Addicks. Blimey, talk about noses and grindstones. Does it ever end?!

### TEAMS

**Southampton** (4-4-2): Davis, Otsemobor, Fonte, Seaborne, Harding, Antonio (Barnard, 66), Hammond, Schneiderlin, Puncheon, Lambert (Wotton, 87), Lallana. **Not used:** Bialkowski, James, Perry, Connolly, Waigo N'Diaye.

**Charlton** (4-5-1): Randolph, Richardson, Sam Sodje, Dailly, Borrowdale, Sam, Semedo (Mooney, 63), Racon, Bailey, Reid (Shelvey, 77), Forster (Akpo Sodje, 63). **Not used:** Warner, Llera, Wagstaff, Solly.

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## Oh, no, Antonio!

IS THERE A  
DEFENDER IN THE  
HOUSE? Darren  
Randolph is  
beaten by Michail  
Antonio

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## Lone goal enough for Pardew

**Southampton 1  
Charlton Athletic 0**

by Kevin Nolan

IT'S nothing personal (well, actually, it is a bit) but Charlton won't be rooting for Southampton to make a late charge into a play-off position.

Saints' manager Alan Pardew is still deeply unpopular at The Valley and it's been galling to suffer at his hands this season. The Addicks have seen more than enough of the Candy-stripers.

It was resurgent Southampton who halted the six-game winning streak which kick-started Charlton's campaign in what seems now to have been a different century. A 1-1 draw can be regarded, in retrospect, as a decent result on September 12,

2009, after Deon Burton equalised Adam Lallana's first half opener.

The South Coasters' 2-1 JPT Trophy "triumph" at St. Mary's was an entirely different kettle of reeking fish. The losers obligingly completed a hat-trick of exits of Cup competitions in indecent haste, Southampton joining Hereford and Northwich Victoria as the latest conquerors of football's most reluctant "Cup-fighters".

You don't so much take Charlton's Cup scalp as receive it in the post. The Saints proceeded to Wembley where a resounding victory over Carlisle United earned some welcome silverware for their trophy cabinet.

But for a 10-point penalty for

entering administration, Southampton would now be ankle-deep in the scramble for play-off places. Following this important result, they are not entirely devoid of hope. Charlton won't fancy facing them again.

Currently incapable of scoring more than once per game, the Addicks fell short of even that modest average at atmospheric St. Mary's. Three outstanding saves by Kelvin Davis - each of them from a cruelly victimised Nicky Bailey - denied them their customary goal. A flash of first half quality at the other end, meanwhile, was enough to earn Southampton their narrow win. Everything else became irrelevant.

The return of Bailey from injury gave his side more bite,

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